

INVESTING IN VISION ACROSS MISSOURI: CELEBRATING THE IMPACT OF SAVING SIGHT'S CHARITABLE GRANTS IN 2026

Each year, Saving Sight's Charitable Grants Program helps extend our mission by supporting organizations that improve access to vision care and strengthen eye health services throughout Missouri. Through the generosity of our supporters and the guidance of our Board of Directors, these grants empower our partners to make a meaningful difference in the communities they serve.

The organizations that received charitable grants in 2025 have already demonstrated the tremendous impact these investments can make.



\$28,500

KidSight continued expanding its statewide vision screening program, screening more than 56,800 children this year—an increase from nearly 48,700 the previous year. More than 4,700 children were identified as needing additional eye care, with hundreds receiving comprehensive eye exams, eyeglasses, and care coordination through mobile clinics, provider partnerships, and referral networks.



\$5,000

Show Me Lions Eyeglass Recycling invested in a new lensometer, increasing its capacity to process donated eyeglasses more efficiently. The additional equipment allows more volunteers to work simultaneously, helping prepare more glasses for vision missions around the world.



\$16,500

Missouri Lions Eye Mission Foundation used its grant to purchase two new Spot Vision Screeners, expanding its ability to serve communities across the state. The equipment helped Lions districts build their own local mission programs, contributing to multiple independent mission events, dozens of statewide vision missions, and the engagement of more than 300 volunteers.



\$10,000

Mid-South Lions Sight & Hearing Service used grant funding to provide comprehensive vision care for 15 Missouri patients, with additional Missourians receiving services through the UMKC Cataract-A-Thon.

At its June 2026 meeting, the Saving Sight Board of Directors approved this year's charitable grant awards, continuing our commitment to organizations dedicated to preserving and restoring sight. Together, these organizations continue to expand access to vision care, support volunteers, and improve lives across Missouri and beyond.

We are proud to partner with these organizations as they continue expanding access to vision care, supporting underserved communities, and changing lives through the gift of sight. We look forward to seeing the impact these grants will make in the coming year.