



Friends for Sight works passionately each day to save sight and change lives. We do this by providing free vision screenings, working to ensure that people of all ages and backgrounds have access to quality eye care, and disseminating information about eye safety, threats to vision, and available community resources.

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Dear Friend,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and most importantly people who benefit from the work of Friends for Sight, thank you for the support you have given over the past year.

With a nimble staff and board who thought quickly on their feet when schools and businesses began to shut down, we safely continued to provide vision screenings and access to eye exams and glasses during the pandemic. We added curbside screenings and met students outside of schools to help them. We contacted every child who we had given glasses to in the past to see if they needed a replacement pair so that they didn't have to struggle to see on top of the turmoil that the pandemic created. We worked with local agencies to provide information about available services at food distributions, flu shot clinics, and school communication channels, while always making sure that safety guidelines were strictly followed. We dearly missed our volunteers and hoped that they were safe.

Now we set our sights on a new normal and can't wait to vision screen in hundreds of schools, help children benefit from our incredible SightFest events, open our Glendale and Liberty Vision Clinics, and expand our reach providing critical vision care across Utah.

In this newsletter, we are grateful for a chance to provide the details of income and expenses from our fiscal year ending March 31, 2021. As a 501(c)3 non-profit that offers only completely free services, Friends for Sight relies on grants and donations to achieve our mission. Because of generous donations from individuals, companies and foundations, Friends for Sight programs benefited from \$539,059 in total revenue.

Each year an independent auditor produces audited financial statements for Friends for Sight. The figures presented in this newsletter are unaudited. Our audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 will be posted on our website by August 2021.

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For all of our volunteers and donors - thank you. YOU are Friends for Sight. YOU save sight and change lives. YOU allow young children a chance to see the beauty that still thrives in the world. YOU show people less fortunate that there are good people who care and show compassion when no one is looking. We are grateful for the chance to work with you and look so forward to seeing you at a vision screening or outreach event very soon.

Board of Directors

Behind the scenes our Board of Directors are critical to the success and sustainability of our program. They provide countless hours of service from being great vision screeners to providing expert advice on strategic planning, governance, fundraising and marketing.

We were sad to say goodbye to the following Board members this year: Jim Cannon, Jeff Paoletti, Nathan Peterson and Jackie Sexton who provided exceptional leadership during their tenure.

We are deeply grateful to the following for serving on our Board for 2020-2021:

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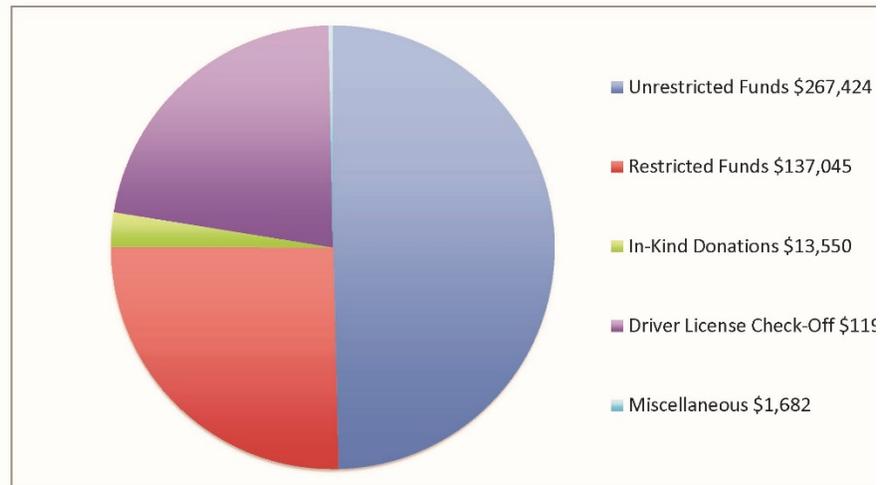
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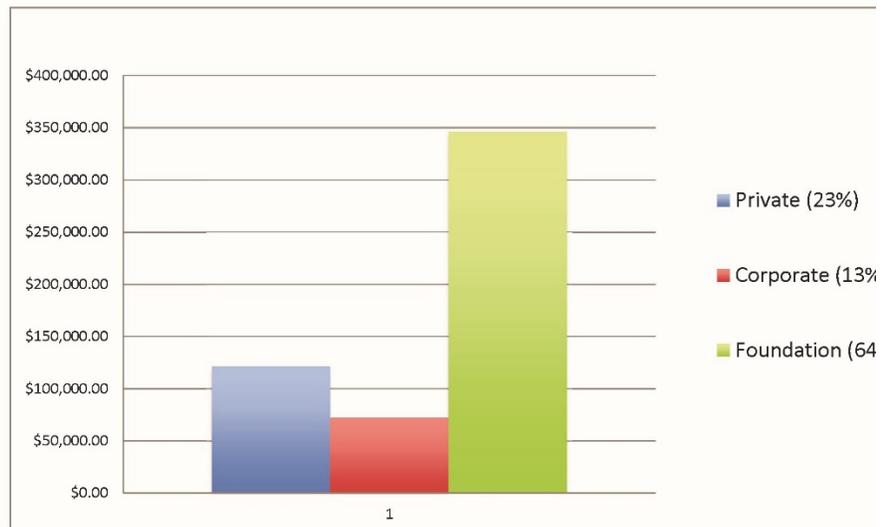


Friends for Sight could not achieve its mission without an incredible team of volunteers. According to GrantSpace, an hour of volunteer service is worth \$27.20. Last year, our hard working volunteers gave the equivalent of \$50,157 of service with 1,844 volunteer hours. Thank you for all of the work saving sight!

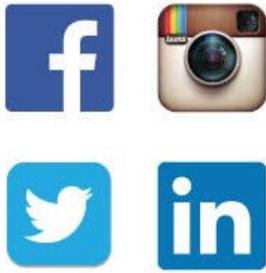
Income



Friends for Sight has received Gold Status by Guidestar and is designated as an Accredited Charity by the Better Business Bureau. Both of these agencies



have rigorous standards for financial reporting, transparency and governance. Way to go!

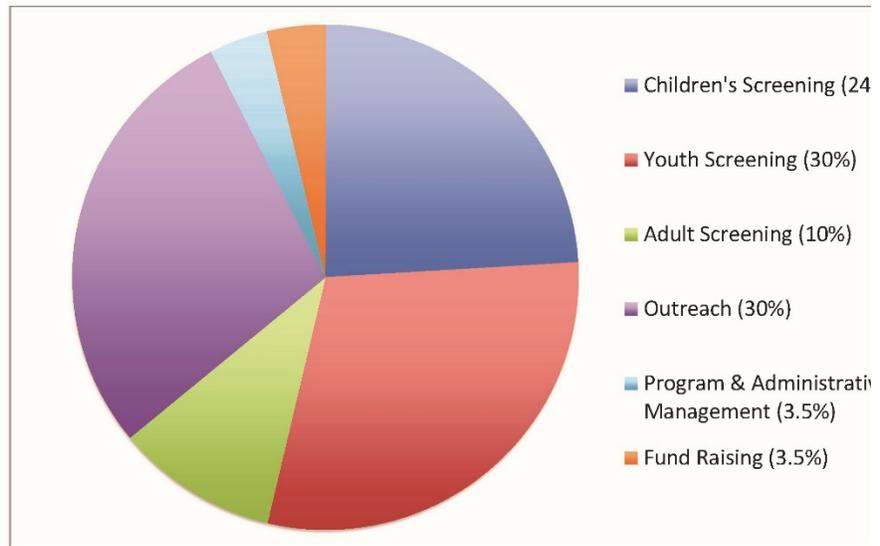


Looking for more information about Friends for Sight? We post current screening news, pictures, and lots of great eye health and safety information on our social media. It's a great way to stay involved.



When customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) and select **Friends for**

Expenses



Because of a deeply generous and loyal team of volunteers and donors, small staff of 6 and donated building, Friends for Sight is able to invest 93 cents of every dollar raised directly to our vision screening and outreach programs, with 3.5 cents used for administrative costs and 3.5 cents for fundraising. For the year ending on March 31, 2021 a total of \$381,957 was spent for operating expenses.

Donate \$2.00



Friends for Sight received \$119,358 from \$2 donations from Utah Driver License and Vehicle Registration Renewals. This means that over 59,679 friends supported our programs this year. Thank you!

Glasses

With a national average price for a pair of prescription glasses of \$259, a simple pair of glasses is out of reach for many at-risk children in Utah. We are so grateful for our partnerships with the Essilor Vision Foundation and Premier Vision Group who this year helped provide 271 children and adults with glasses through our outreach program.



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Assets

Cash accounts
\$343,644

Investment accounts
\$1,245,452

Land, Building & Equipment:
\$461,976

Doctor Appreciation



Over the past 8 years, 68 doctors have helped save the sight of 4,611 children and adults by volunteering at our Vision Clinics, SightFest Events, Project Homeless Connect and Voucher Outreach Program. We are so grateful for their generosity and compassion to help those less fortunate.

COVID-19 safety



Friends for Sight is committed to your health and safety

Friends for Sight is committed to the health and safety of the people we serve, our volunteers and our staff by following all state, federal and CDC guidelines to stop the spread of COVID-19.

For the community we serve:



Physical distancing in all areas



Touchless screenings



Emergency relief funds available for exams & glasses



For our volunteers:

Health & safety training



Personal protective equipment



Health screenings

For our staff:



Touchless temperature and screening checks



Increased cleaning and disinfecting



Physical distancing and work from home options

2020-2021 Screening Totals:

Preschool: 4,874

Youth: 6,472

Adult: 193

Outreach: 505

Total: 12,044

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In Memoriam



Marion Rose Spratt Palmer 1924 – 2021

Marion Rose Spratt Palmer passed peacefully away on March 10, 2021. Marion was forever doing good—a consummate volunteer.

When she was serving as Delta Gamma Alumni President in 1955,

Marion was contacted by the National Society to Prevent Blindness. She was asked to recruit a small group of sorority friends to participate in an experimental program to do vision screening on young children to identify a new sight disorder called amblyopia or lazy-eye blindness.

Incredibly, Marion continued to chair the preschool vision screening program in Salt Lake for over sixty years. She scheduled schools, enlisted and trained volunteers, served on the board, and vision screened tens of thousands of children. Always happy to help and never wanting praise, her love for children and her volunteers will never be forgotten.

Please continue to support Friends for Sight

Your gift to Friends for Sight allows us the ability to work passionately each day to save sight and change lives by providing free vision screenings, working to ensure that people of all ages and backgrounds have access to quality eye care, and disseminating information about eye safety, threats to vision, and available community resources. With a small staff of five and generous support of volunteers, we are proud that 93% of every contribution goes directly to support our programs.

Gifts of Cash

Friends for Sight is grateful for any cash donation in the form of cash, check or credit card, and we are happy to set up monthly payments utilizing Electronic Fund Transfers. Please send donations to: Friends for Sight, 6715 South 1300 East, Suite 250, Salt Lake City, Utah 84121 or make an [online donation right now.](#)

Gifts of Securities

Gifts of publicly traded stock are often a great way to support Friends for Sight and realize substantial tax advantages. Gifts of securities are valued at the median price on the date of transfer. Stock can be directly transferred to Friends for Sight's investment account at UBS Bank. For transfer information please contact Kate Edwards, Executive Director at 801-524-2020.

Matching Gifts

Many companies will match donations made to Friends for Sight. This is a great way to maximize personal contributions and increase the impact of your donation. By taking advantage of a matching gift, you may be able to double or triple the amount of a contribution.

Each company has its own guidelines for matching, but most are simple:

1. Download a matching gift form from your company website or request one.
2. Complete the employee portion of the form and submit it along with your gift to Friends for Sight.
3. Friends for Sight will verify the gift and submit the form with required documentation to the company and will contact you when the matching gift arrives.

Bequests or Estate Plan Gifts

Friends for Sight programs are a worthy legacy for a bequest or gift from your estate. Please consider including a provision in your will or living trust, or by naming us a beneficiary of a retirement plan or life insurance policy. The amount given to us can be expressed as a dollar amount or as a percentage of the assets to be given.

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