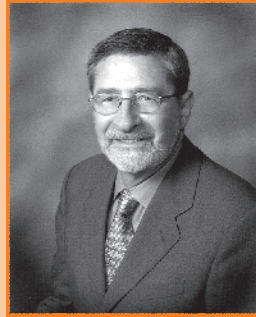


President's Message

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Innovations in modern medicine now allow us to treat almost any eye disease, yet it is only part of the solution. People must be made aware of their potential for developing eye diseases in order to become motivated to seek medical care. Early detection is essential and critical to prevent blindness.



It is the mission of Prevent Blindness Northern California to reach out into the communities of northern California and preserve the gift of sight. We screen, educate and support people who are at risk of developing blinding eye diseases.

Our success stories are numerous. We strive not only to save sight, but also to transform the lives of individuals and their families. With our small but dedicated staff and our many (500+) devoted volunteer members, we run an exceptionally efficient program. This report summarizes our activities in the year 2007-2008.

With the hiring of our new CEO and the development of strong partnerships, we are well poised to develop even stronger programs and more outreach into the communities of northern California. Our successes can only be accomplished with your support and assistance. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Robert L. Stamper, MD
President of the Board

Aging Eye Symposium

PBNC's first annual public symposium, *Morning with the Sight Savers Eye Health for Adults*, was held June 9, 2007 in San Francisco. More than 150 attendees were educated through lectures on diabetic retinopathy, cataract, glaucoma, and more. Many questions from the audience were answered by our speakers, six distinguished Bay Area ophthalmologists.



Redding Office

The Redding Branch Office celebrates eight years of sight saving services! Benny, now 8 years old, is featured on the front cover. He was attending preschool when PBNC referred him for a complete eye exam. As a result, Benny received treatment that improved his quality of life through better vision.

Benny is one of many children whose vision problems have been detected by our screening program, allowing children to have the best sight possible.

Vision Screening and Professional Education

In 2007, with our staff of three full-time and three part-time employees, and more than 500 volunteers, we provided direct vision screening services to over 25,000 children, saving many from permanent sight loss.



Also in 2007, PBNC staff educators taught and certified PBNC Teams, child-care providers, and nurses from CHDP, Head Start, and Migrant Head Start, on the importance and proper techniques of children's vision screening. Forty-five certification classes were given with 934 participants coming from approximately 25 northern California counties. An estimated 100,000 children received accurate vision screening as a result of PBNC's Children's Vision Screening and Professional Education Programs.



Student Health Professional Program

In 2008, we continued to expand our Student Health Professional Program which teaches Student Health Professionals (SHPs) the importance and correct techniques of preschool vision screening. After completing the PBNC certification class, the SHPs perform vision screenings at assigned community preschools as part of their clinical rotations. As a result, children at local preschools receive this valuable service free of charge, and the SHPs enter the medical job market with skills and motivation to perform valid children's vision screening.

Adults' Vision Screening Program

Our Adults' Vision Screening Program reached 425 people this year, many of whom live in rural areas with limited access to healthcare. Thirteen of those screened are now receiving treatment for glaucoma, 'the sneak thief of sight.'



Success Stories

Dear Prevent Blindness Northern California,

Good thing! We had no idea that Caralyne has 20/200 vision in one eye. She showed no sign that her sight was that poor.



Sincerely,
Michele

Dear Pat,

Thank you so much for doing the vision screening at Abby's preschool. Because of your support, we were able to bring Abby to the doctors to catch her problem quickly. We can't thank you enough.



Smiles,
Eveley & Kenny

Coping With Sight Loss In Print and Online, 9th Edition

We have updated and re-published our 110-page resource guide, *Coping With Sight Loss In Northern California*. We have mailed out over 5,000 copies of this 9th Edition and continue to fulfill additional requests daily. *Coping With Sight Loss* is also online at www.eyefinfo.org. The website has been redesigned to be more accessible for people with low vision, including those using screen readers. To further improve accessibility, we have also added a button to provide high contrast / text size increase. This year the site had over 384,000 hits.

Good vision is irreplaceable. A gift to Prevent Blindness Northern California helps save sight. Remembering Prevent Blindness Northern California in your will is a way to protect future generations from needless sight loss.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEARS ENDING MARCH 31, 2008 AND 2007

	2008	2007
REVENUE		
Contributions	\$ 100,657	\$ 147,377
Programs, Meetings, & Miscellaneous	90,837	107,302
Bequests & Legacies	484,958	462,770
Net Investment Income	32,564	36,453
Net Realized & Unrealized Gains (Loss)	58,256	43,504
Total Unrestricted Revenue From Operations	767,272	797,406
Temporarily Restricted Revenue	1,223	1,694
Permanently Restricted Revenue	-	63
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 768,495	\$ 799,163
EXPENSES		
Program Services		
Educational	\$ 166,870	\$ 147,957
Community	349,510	389,115
Total Program Services	516,380	537,072
National Research & Program Development	35,087	67,128
Supporting Services		
Fund Raising	36,179	62,842
Administration	51,019	27,124
Total Supporting Services	87,198	89,966
TOTAL EXPENSE	638,665	694,166
NET INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 129,830	\$ 104,997
NET ASSETS BEGINNING YEAR		
Unrestricted	\$ 2,257,133	\$ 2,152,199
Temporarily Restricted	2,833	2,770
Permanently Restricted	11,400	11,400
TOTAL NET ASSETS BEGINNING YEAR	\$ 2,271,366	\$ 2,166,369
NET ASSETS END YEAR		
Unrestricted	\$ 2,386,261	\$ 2,257,133
Temporarily Restricted	3,535	2,833
Permanently Restricted	11,400	11,400
TOTAL NET ASSETS END YEAR	\$ 2,401,196	\$ 2,271,366

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