Lions of Michigan Foundation PROJECT KIDSIGHT







Our Goal...To identify and help children who have vision disorders that hinder their ability to succeed in school and develop normally.

Through Project KidSight, we aim to prevent permanent vision loss through the early detection and treatment of vision disorders in children.

With **Project KidSight**, potential vision problems can be detected in children as young as age one. Our portable high-tech vision screening devices are



programmed to quickly (one second) and accurately (90%) identify causes of vision loss without causing stress to children. Our vision screening equipment produces a binocular image of a child's eyes to develop a preliminary determination of the presence of eye disorders.

Not all types of vision problems can be identified through vision screenings, and vision screenings are not substitutes for eye examinations by ophthalmologists and optometrists. Some common vision disorders detected through **Project KidSight** include **Anisometropia** (unequal visual clarity), **Anisocoria** (a difference in the size of pupils), **Hyperopia** (far-sightedness), **Myopia** (near-sightedness), **Strabismus** (eye misalignment), **Astigmatism** (blurred vision - refractive abnormality), and **Gaze** (fixed or crossed eye, not tracking).

Treatment options increase when vision problems are detected early in a child's life. Normal vision can usually be restored with corrective glasses or contact lenses. Through **Project KidSight**, your child's vision will be determined to be a "Pass" - an "Unreadable" or a "Refer".

PASS: Our vision screener was unable to detect any vision problems.

UNREADABLE: Our vision screener could not develop reliable vision screening results for the child. This can happen if a child will not look at the camera during the screening process.

REFER: Our vision screener has detected that the child may have one or more eye problems.



Children who receive a "Refer" should be examined by an ophthalmologist or optometrist as soon as possible. To opt out of the PKS program, parents should contact the school to have their student taken off the class/grade list.

For financial help or information about eye care assistance programs for your family, please contact the Michigan Department of Community Health at 517-373-3740, the Michigan Department of Human Services at 1-855-275-6424 or the Lions Clubs of Michigan at 517-887-6640.

To learn more about Project KidSight, go to Imsf.net/index.php/programs/project-kidsight