



FLORIDA LIONS
EYE BANK

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Restoring the Beauty of Sight

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OUR MISSION

The Florida Lions Eye Bank is a non-profit-organization established in 1962 to serve the community of Florida. In our over 50 year history, we have provided tissue to more than 80,000 individuals in need of surgery to restore their sight.

The Florida Lions Eye Bank also operates an ocular pathology laboratory to help with patient diagnosis, and provides funding and tissue for ophthalmic research and medical education purposes.

HOW EYE TISSUE IS USED

CORNEAL TRANSPLANTATION

The cornea is the front clear part of the eye which allows light to enter. When the cornea becomes cloudy, due to injury or disease, light cannot enter the eye and vision loss occurs. In this case, a cornea transplant is the only hope for restored sight. With a 90% success rate, the procedure is the oldest, most common, and most successful transplant operation.

SCLERA TISSUE

The sclera is the white, opaque portion of the eye. This tissue is provided to surgeons for use during glaucoma and oculoplastic surgeries.

RESEARCH TISSUE

Over the years, the Eye Bank has provided funding and tissue for numerous breakthroughs in the area of biophysics and biomedical technology. This research gives

hope to future generations as researchers work for the treatment and cure of blinding eye diseases.

FACTS ABOUT EYE DONATION

- Donor tissue not able to be used for transplantation can be used for research and medical education purposes.
- Eye donation can help between 2 and 18 people, depending on the final use of the tissue.
- There is no cost to donate your eyes.
- An open casket viewing is still possible after donation.
- All major religions support donation.
- You can become an eye donor on Florida's Donor Registry by visiting www.donateliflorida.org or our website www.fleb.org.

The Florida Lions Eye Bank is a non-profit-organization supported by people like you. Your financial contribution will help us “RESTORE THE BEAUTY OF SIGHT”



- Financial donation by mail or via our website
- A memorial contribution in memory of a late relative or friend
- A honorary contribution in honor of an occasion or someone special
- A bequest left in your will
- Real estate given outright or subject to life interest
- Insurance policy naming the Florida Lions Eye Bank as beneficiary

All donations are deductible to the full extent of IRS regulations.



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