

LIONS CLUBS OF DISTRICT 11-B-1

The Lions Clubs of District 11-B-1 are proud to announce the purchase of a new pre-school vision screening tool. The PediaVision Assessment Solution allows the local Lions Club members to screen children as young as 6 month old to detect indicators of vision problems that could negatively affect a child. The purchase of this equipment was made possible through a grant from the Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund and the generous donations from the clubs in our district.

It has been found that as many as one in four school age children suffer from vision problems. The key to detection and correction is early screening. In fact, the American Journal of Preventive Medicine ranks children's vision screening at the same level of importance as mammography for women. In that 80% of the information that a child learns is visual, early screening and treatment of vision problems can greatly improve a child's ability to learn.

The PediaVision Assessment Solution detects indications of nearsightedness, farsightedness, astigmatism, difference in eye strength, misalignment of eyes, Amblyopia (or lazy eye), and pupil size anomalies.

The new equipment uses an infrared camera that takes a digital photograph of the child's eyes from just over a yard away. This picture, which is captured in less than one second, is analyzed and the "pass" or "refer" results can be printed and handed to the parent or guardian.

The Lions of District 11-B-1 serve the following six counties: Washtenaw, Jackson, Calhoun, Lenawee, Hillsdale, and Branch. We invite you to join us at our first screening, just the second in the state, to witness this amazing new technology in use. The information for the screening is:

DATE:	JANUARY 6, 2011
TIME:	9:30 AM
LOCATION:	GENERATIONS TOGETHER 2801 Baker Rd Dexter, Michigan 48130

If you are unable to make it to the screening and would like additional information you can contact Larry France at (734) 718-3371