SAVING SIGHT INDIANA 
RECORDS, 1965–2013

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

On February 21, 1956, the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, Inc. issued a charter certifying the Indiana State Chapter of that organization. The Indiana organization had originally incorporated as the Indiana Society for the Prevention of Blindness in 1950, and was founded by Maude A. Rogers Ward. The Society provided vision screening to students as well as adults and disseminated information to the general public on preserving eye health.

During the 1980s, an auxiliary group called ‘People of Vision’ became active in assisting the Society in its fundraising efforts. By 1994, the Indiana Society operated under the business name of Prevent Blindness Indiana. At the end of April, 2012, Prevent Blindness Indiana disaffiliated from the national group, Prevent Blindness America, and renamed itself Saving Sight Indiana. On June 30, 2013, Saving Sight Indiana disbanded and divided its endowment, giving half to the I.U. School of Optometry and half to the Glick Eye Institute.

Sources: Information in Collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains By-Laws, Annual Reports, Board Meeting minutes, Membership Rosters, Newsletters, photographs, newspaper clippings, and historical collections.

Newsletters date from 1965–1996, Board Meeting minutes from 2007–2013, and Annual Report information from 1975–2008. Rosters consist of both general membership directories from 1982–2010, and Board of Directors and voter membership directories from 1987-2010. Donation and Funding information, though sparse, does include information about donations received from the Lilly Endowment during the early 1970s. Screening statistics are also incomplete.

Historical information consists primarily of two binders compiled by the organization; one regarding the history of Prevent Blindness Indiana itself, and one about the history of People of Vision, the auxiliary group designed to encourage fundraising and awareness.
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Artifact: 2012.0267

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