

27D1 Vision Committee Report
July 31st, 2022 Cabinet Meeting

Cabinet Members,

We are into a new summer that is a time to reflect on our accomplishments over the last year and to renew our efforts for the next year.

I would like to start with sharing an email that was forwarded to me from the Verona Lions Club from a family that participated in their Vision Screening program and felt compelled to share their experience with Verona Lions.

“Lions Club of Verona -

This past spring you came into our son’s 3 year old preschool (Little Blessings) and did eye exams. Our son failed this screening and based on that little note that came home, I scheduled an appointment with the UW Ophthalmology clinic just to be safe (thinking nothing was wrong). We recently had this appointment where they confirmed he needed glasses/has pretty bad vision/focus issues in both eyes (and that the world has essentially been blurry for him since he was born). We never noticed anything out of the ordinary (no sight problems) and I’m confident that had the Lions Club not come into Little Blessings it would have gone undetected for quite awhile.

We are so very thankful for your mission and for what you did for our son. Thank you!

With so much gratitude,”

Thank you to the Verona Lions Club for sharing this message and everyone should remember that you may not always hear how families are affected by your service, but everyone has a story that keeps them providing the screening service needed for their communities. Keep up the good work and THANK YOU for YOUR SERVICE.

We are currently in the slower phase of our yearly vision screening period for the year, but at present we are up to the rate we were in 2019-20 – (2019-20 = 9,608 / 7.29% * 2021-22 = 9,254 / 10.26%) with a higher referral rate than 2019-20. The screening during 2020-21 was down because of the COVID-19 pandemic and this could be why our current referral rate is higher.

Lancaster Lions had an inquiry from a member of their community who has a rapidly advancing case of Macular Degeneration and would like to know if the Lions have any equipment that she may “borrow” to assist in her vision problems. It was suggested that they first contact the Wisconsin Council for the Blind to see what type of equipment may help with her situation. At this time, I wish to reach out to other Lions Clubs to see if they have any input for Lancaster or if they may have access to equipment that may help them find a solution. Contact – **Lion Lee Rupnow Lancaster Lions Club,** lrupnow@chorus.net 608-778-7257

I would like to make the following “Request for Action”:

1. Purchase a new Plusoptix S12c camera for the 27D1 District to replace the current D1 Plusoptix S09 that is housed with Lion Tony Sobczak in Token Creek, WI.
2. The purchase would include the trade in of the S09 for a discount in purchase price of the S12c camera.
3. Purchase total - \$6,287.80 [sales tax \$327.80], (Purchased from Plusoptix Inc.)

4. **The purchase price would include a 5year extended warranty (and would be added to our current state extended warranty when appropriate).**
5. **I am attaching a "Proforma Invoice" to show a breakdown in the cost of the S12c.**

Justification: The current district S09 has had reported difficulties and has given some problems at screening events. These cameras no longer have available replacement parts from Plusoptix. This would update our D1 owned camera inventory to 4-Plusoptix S12c cameras and eliminate all district owned S09's. There are still some S09 cameras owned by individual Lions Clubs.

If this request for purchase from the 27D1 Cabinet is approved, only then I would submit this invoice to Treasurer Bill Severson for purchase of this equipment.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Milo Parker
Co-chairman
Vision Committee 27D1