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2025 Annual Report

Since 1914 Vision Loss Resources has served Minnesotans with low vision or blindness. In 2005 we added DeafBlind Services Minnesota to our organization. Together, these two organizations serve Minnesotans with our clients at the center of everything we do. Our training, our approach, and our results are all aligned to adapt to the needs of our clients. Over 100 years of service!

2025 was a challenging year. But one thing that reassured us was your support. As you know, we rely on our donors to keep our services available.

- *When our students are in the kitchen, learning the cooking skills to live independently, your donations make possible our purchase of fresh food for instruction.*
- *When our students are in our tech lab, learning about the latest in mobile phones and applications that support the blind, your donations ensure that we have the latest solutions for our students to learn with.*
- *When our students are outside (or inside on a cold January day!) learning Orientation and Mobility skills, your donations make possible the wide variety of canes we have so that students can test out which one works best for them.*

Your donations make our work possible. Without question, donations keep us in business, just as they have for over 100 years. Whether you are a long-time supporter or brand new, know this. Your donation serves low vision and blind Minnesotans. Our students go on to great things, but it starts with our instructors and our training environment. Thank you.

2025 Highlights!

- VLR hosted a summer potluck where we listened to a Twins game. Food and company were great, Twins...well, bring on a new season!
- Our VLR instructors taught braille, orientation and mobility, cooking, technology, and keyboarding. Your support makes it possible to torment the entire staff when the students are baking cookies!
- We participated in White Cane Day at the State Capitol!
- Our senior program continues with visits to senior groups around the Twin Cities!



- Our colleagues in Deafblind Services Minnesota competed for and won another five year contract supporting Deafblind adults and children across the State of Minnesota. Congratulations!
- Our staff continue to be advocates for our students, challenging them to be the best in their day to day lives. Our instructors are amazing!

What comes next for us? The same thing that has powered us for over a century. Compassion for our clients with a focus on training and encouragement to live their best lives.

Thank you for your interest and support!