

AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF FREE VISION CARE SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the acceptance of free vision care services from the following sources through the Office of Specialized Services' Expanded Vision Program for the following users; low-income un-or under-insured CPS students. As a result of these donations, up to 4,000 low-income and un-or under-insured CPS students will receive free optometric examinations and prescription glasses, if needed.

DESCRIPTION: Donated services include free eye examinations and free glasses for Chicago Public Schools' students.

SOURCE #1: Vision Service Plan
Sight for Students Program
3333 Quality Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Contact: Sandy Ward
Phone: (800) 852-7600 X5086

RECEIVING SCHOOL/UNIT: Office of Specialized Services
Expanded Vision Program
Contact: Renee Grant-Mitchell
(773) 553-1800

ESTIMATED VALUE OF DONATION: \$350,000

PURPOSE: Vision Service Plan (VSP), through its Sight for Students Program will provide approximately 2,000 gift certificates (valued at approximately \$175 each) for eye examinations and eyeglasses (as prescribed), redeemable at over 100 local optometric offices and clinics in the Chicagoland area that participate in the VSP vision care network. These vouchers will enable low-income un-or under insured CPS students to receive free eye examinations and glasses, as needed. Each participating student will receive a gift certificate for free care.

To qualify for the voucher program, students must: 1) be uninsured (not enrolled in Medicaid, KidCare or insurance coverage for vision care services); 2) student or parent must be a U.S. citizen or documented immigrant with a social security number; 3) have a family income that is no more than 200% of the federal poverty guidelines; 4) not have used the Sight For Students program during the last 12 months; and 5) be 18 years old or younger and have not graduated from high school. Students who have lost or broken their glasses also may qualify for the program. Parents or guardians will be responsible for scheduling appointments and transporting their child to the eye clinic.

SOURCE #2: Prevent Blindness America
500 E. Remington Road
Schaumburg, Illinois 60173-5611
Contact: Jeff Todd, VP for Programs & Information Services
(800) 331-2020 X314

RECEIVING SCHOOL/UNIT: Office of Specialized Services
Expanded Vision Program
Contact: Renee Grant-Mitchell
(773) 553-1800

ESTIMATED VALUE OF DONATION: \$10,000

PURPOSE: Prevent Blindness America, in partnership with VSP, will act as the local administrator of VSP's Sight for Students Program. Prevent Blindness America will be the Program's liaison to the Chicago Public Schools and will specifically manage voucher distribution, coordinate program activities with participating providers and maintain appropriate data management and monitoring systems.

SOURCE #3 LensCrafters
8650 Governor's Hill Drive
Cincinnati, Ohio 45242
Contact: Susan Knobler
(513) 583-6000

RECEIVING SCHOOL/UNIT: Office of Specialized Services
Expanded Vision Program
Contact: Renee Grant-Mitchell
(773) 553-1800

ESTIMATED VALUE OF DONATION: \$350,000

PURPOSE; LensCrafters will provide up to 2,000 free eye examinations (valued at approximately \$ 45.00 each) and prescribe eyeglasses (valued at approximately \$ 130.00 each) through its Gift of Sight program. All Services will be provided in a mobile van fully equipped to offer comprehensive optometric services. The van, which travels to sites around the county, is scheduled to visit the Chicago Public Schools September 14-24, 2004, and will be located at Colman School. Students from more than 50 schools will participate in the program. Prior to providing these services at Colman School, LensCrafters will be required to execute the Board indemnification agreement and deliver such document to the Board's Chief Specialized Services Officer.

TERM: The term of this agreement will commence on September 1, 2004 and will end August 31, 2004.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any required donation acceptance agreement for the above-referenced donations.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not required for this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the Provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

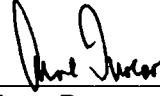
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel