Help us bring these vital services to your region!

_Here’s how you can get started:_

Spread the word at your agency or organization about the _Living with Low Vision_ program.

Advertise the program in your region with customized flyers provided by the _Living with Low Vision_ coordinator.

Invite people who will benefit from the program:

- Individuals experiencing vision loss including difficulty reading mail and medication labels, using a computer, or walking safely
- Family members and caregivers
- Healthcare and social service providers
- Staff at senior centers and retirement communities

The earlier people access low vision information and services, the more successful they will be at improving their quality of life, remaining independent and reducing the risk of falling or depression.

Please get involved today by contacting Diane Lumpkin at 704-236-7444 or via email at ctld1@earthlink.net.

CVI is grateful to _Drive For Sight_ who awarded us a grant to fund our life-changing work. The Georgia “Drive For Sight” Program is based on voluntary donations. Georgia drivers may choose to donate one dollar at the time of their initial or renewal application for motor vehicle drivers’ licenses.

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The Center for the Visually Impaired (CVI) presents the Living with Low Vision Program

Located in Midtown Atlanta, CVI is Georgia’s largest comprehensive, fully accredited private facility providing rehabilitation services to people of all ages who are blind or visually impaired. Each year, more than 5,000 people turn to CVI to gain the information, tools and skills they need to live with dignity and independence.

This new program is designed to bring CVI’s specialized services to the following regions:
- Albany
- Clayton County
- Columbus
- LaGrange
- Macon

Living with Low Vision is a two-part program including:

Vision 101
An educational session open to the public

Low Vision Clinic
Including evaluations for selected participants

Vision 101 Educational sessions open to the public

Presented during our 1.5 hour in-service on vision loss:

DISCUSS
This presentation will feature an overview of vision loss, and discussion of adaptive techniques and devices proven to be successful in alleviating the impact of vision loss on everyday activities.

DEMONSTRATE
Demonstrations of Orientation and Mobility techniques such as sighted guide and protective techniques will be provided.

CONNECT
A social worker will be present to meet with individuals interested in connecting with specific local resources for services not offered through CVI’s programs.

PURCHASE
Featured optical devices from CVI’s VisAbility Store will be available for purchase and hands-on trials.

Up to 5 participants from Vision 101 who would most benefit from a comprehensive low vision evaluation will be selected for the Low Vision Clinic component of the program.

Low Vision Clinic Evaluation and training for selected Vision 101 participants

Services provided during our low vision evaluation:

EXAMINE
An optometrist who is a low vision specialist will perform a thorough low vision exam.

EVALUATE
A low vision specialist will conduct an evaluation of all aspects of daily living to learn more about specific vision challenges. The specialist will assess if magnifiers, glare control shades, or other optical aids would be beneficial to improve visual function.

TRAIN
A low vision specialist will provide education and training on devices, non-optical aids and simple strategies to maximize vision. Orientation and Mobility training will be provided with a focus on independent navigation and safe travel. Information will be provided about community services and resources available to persons with low vision.