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BEAUTY OF SIGHT HELPS ESTABLISH THE MIDDLE EAST'S FIRST EYE BANK IN ABU DHABI



Beauty of Sight Medical Director, Dr. Sander Dubovy (fourth from left), recently met with Abu Dhabi leadership to help advance the development of the Middle East's first eye bank.

More than 60 years ago, Bascom Palmer Eye Institute and the Lions of Florida worked together to establish Beauty of Sight as Florida's first eye bank. Today, that longstanding partnership is helping bring the gift of sight to a new part of the world.

With the support and leadership of the Abu Dhabi Department of Health, the Abu Dhabi Biobank and Bascom Palmer Eye Institute Abu Dhabi are establishing the Middle East's first eye bank. This landmark initiative will create a reliable local supply of donor corneal tissue, bringing the hope of sight-restoring transplantation closer to patients throughout the region. It will also cultivate local expertise through professional training and advance the future of vision care through ophthalmic research.

Beauty of Sight is proud to contribute its eye banking experience, training, operational guidance, and donor tissue as the program develops. This collaboration demonstrates how sharing knowledge and resources across borders can create lasting improvements in access to sight-restoring care. By sharing our expertise and supporting the expansion of sight-restoring services worldwide, we move closer to fulfilling our mission of ***Creating a World Without Blindness.***

THE BEAUTY OF A SELFLESS GIFT



Mike Klein

Each year, Beauty of Sight provides donated ocular tissue for more than 1,000 sight-restoring transplants and surgical procedures and provides serum tears for approximately 1,800 patients. Behind every one of those numbers is a person whose life has been touched by Beauty of Sight and by the generosity of others.

Corneal recipient Mike Klein is one of them. ***“I am deeply grateful to the donor of my cornea, whose generosity has restored my vision and given me a new outlook on life.”***

Mike's words are a powerful reminder of the lasting impact of donation. Through the selfless gift of donors and their families, recipients receive not only the opportunity for restored sight, but also the chance to experience life with a new perspective.



CHILDREN'S EYE HEALTH AND SAFETY MONTH | AUGUST

August is Children's Eye Health and Safety Month, and with students heading back to school, it is a timely reminder of the importance of protecting healthy vision.

Routine eye exams can help identify vision problems that may affect a child's learning and development, while appropriate protective eyewear can help prevent eye injuries during sports, science labs, and other activities. Because children may not always recognize or communicate that they are having difficulty seeing, regular eye care is an important part of their overall health and well-being.

Taking a few simple precautions and prioritizing eye health can help protect a child's sight in the classroom, on the playing field, and for years to come.

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CORNEA RECIPIENT

We would love to share your story

If you are the recipient of a cornea or have a story of a donor that you would like to share, please let us know. Email ddfrancisco@med.miami.edu or use the QR code



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