



Committed to preserving and restoring sight and removing economic barriers to quality, comprehensive, and compassionate vision care to Texans in need.

Dear community friend,

The **Houston Eye Associates Foundation (HEAF)** is seeking to ensure that city and county governments, community clinics, schools, and other health-services organizations know about the services available for Texas residents. Our foundation provides two programs: (1) a **medical/surgical program** and (2) **Eye Care for Kids**.

Details about both programs can be found on our website, as well as applications:

<https://foundation.houstoneye.com/>



HEAF is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization committed to preserving and restoring vision. **Patients receive care at no cost**, as physicians donate their time and services; the foundation pays for surgical facility fees, medications, prosthetics, and any other ancillary services needed. Eye Care for Kids patients receive vision screenings, eye exams, and basic glasses at no cost. Currently, ECFK is available only in the greater Houston area.

Keep our organization in mind when working with applicants, patients, and/or community members. If you are unable to assist them in ophthalmology or optometry services, please consider referring them to our program. **Applicants need to be a Texas resident, not have insurance coverage (or a deductible greater than 10% of their income), and be ineligible for CIHCP, Medicare, Medicaid, or CHIP.** Patients will also need to submit proof of income. Special cases are considered in extreme situations.

Your support of this work and mission is greatly appreciated. We included some postcards with QR codes that can be handed out to patients—we are happy to send more, if needed. If you have questions or need more information, please call **713-558-8740** or email us at heaf@houstoneye.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laura Laabs".

Laura Laabs, Executive Director

HELP IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE!

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