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## Eyecarecenter Launches You See, We Give Program

ROCKY MOUNT, NC - October 8, 2015 - Eyecarecenter (ECC), one of the largest eye care groups in the Carolinas, is proud to announce the introduction of the You See, We Give project today in honor of World Sight Day.

You See, We Give is an ongoing partnership with RestoringVision, a nonprofit which sources new eyeglasses and supplies them to people in Developing Countries or the underprivileged in the US. For each pair of eyeglasses purchased at participating ECC offices beginning October 1, ECC will donate a pair to RestoringVision.

Since RestoringVision's inception in late 2003, it has supplied more than 3,000,000 glasses to people in 75 countries and has worked with more than 800 different outreach groups.

Mark Sachs, RestoringVision Director, is excited to kickoff the partnership, saying, "I've had the distinct pleasure of going on four optical missions to developing countries. It was extremely gratifying to see people experience clear vision for the first time. Equally compelling was seeing adults who could no longer do the things they loved or the things they had to do because they could not focus on their hands. Once they received their reading glasses, their lives were immediately transformed."

Sachs continues, "I applaud Eyecarecenter's staff and their patients for bringing the gift of clear vision to people everywhere. Together we can help people all over the world remain productive and vital for a longer period of their lives."

Dr. Allan Barker, President of ECC, adds, "We have such a selfless and hardworking group of caregivers in our offices. They are eager to assist RestoringVision in its mission and help those less fortunate through the You See, We Give project."

## About Eyecarecenter

Since 1954, Eyecarecenter (ECC) has been a premier source for eye care products and services in North Carolina and South Carolina. Its services include comprehensive vision and eye health examinations, vision check-ups for children and products and fittings for glasses, contact lenses and prescription sunglasses. For more information visit www.eyecarecenter.com.

## **About World Sight Day**

World Sight Day is a global observance event that focuses on bringing attention on blindness and vision impairment. It is observed on the second Thursday of October each year to raise public awareness of blindness and vision impairment as major international public health issues, to influence governments to participate in and designate funds for national blindness prevention programs, and to educate target audiences about blindness prevention.