



RP International Mission and Objectives



*In the United States today, because **90% or more of every dollar raised goes to program services**, it places the charity among the most efficient fundraising organizations. We thank the countless professionals and volunteers who donate so much of their time, talent and resources for making this possible! To date, RPI and it's committed supporters, have raised or directly caused the donation of 350 million dollars to major medical facilities. Provided free services to 250,000 "National Crisis Line Callers" and brought the miracle of restoring vision from a distant hope, to the reality of clinical and experimental trials today.*

I Medical Research:

a. **Retinal Cell Transplantation**

- a. Dr. Gholam Peyman, LSU Lions Eye Center
- b. Jules Stein Eye Institute, UCLA
- c. Estelle Doheny Eye Institute, USC
- d. Complete list & videos available at VisionAwards.org,
RPIInternational.org, EyesOfChristmas.org

b. **Bio-Medical Computer Implants**

(recently featured for a the second time on NBC Dateline, 20/20 and 60 Minutes)

c. **Pharmacological Interventions**

- d. **Medical Seminars and Research Symposiums** (Keck Center, Hilton Hotel, American Academy of Ophthalmology Annual Conference)

II Patient Services:

a. **Accessibility**

1. TheatreVision (Television, Movies & Live Events)
2. Talking Technologies for distance Learning K1-College
3. The "Senior Center" serving 150 low vision patients
4. National 800 crisis line counseling. Helping over 250,000 callers to date free of charge
5. Free Patient Survival Kits, mailed over 300,000.
6. Night Lighter Newsletter published 4 times per year
7. California State University Northridge, CSUN future training site for "TheatreVision"

III Public Awareness & Advocacy:

- a. **National Eye Institute (NEI)** advocacy program to successfully increase their annual funding by 17%
- b. **National Television, Radio, Print and Public Awareness Campaigns.**
 1. 35th Annual Vision Awards
 2. The "Hope in Sight Telethon" hosted by Bob Hope
 3. The "Eyes of Christmas" national television special
 4. Blind Olympic with TheatreVision Movies
 5. Variety of Marathons, Golf Tournament and Regional Fundraisers
 6. Over 1,200 Television, Radio and Print feature stories.

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