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Dear MD6 Lions and KidSight Colorado Community,

As I approach my tenth month as the Director of KidSight Colorado. The KidSight team has made considerable strides in strategic areas that align with our commitment to a comprehensive organizational rebranding and reorganization of programming and operations. In preparation for the future of KidSight, here are highlights from some of our most critical areas of operation.

Programmatic Enhancement

Our focus on delivering high-impact programs has been unwavering. After an extensive review of our service offerings, the organization is ready to roll out new operational procedures for the coming Lions year. Over the coming year, the organization will work on capacity building based on feedback from our beneficiaries and stakeholders. This methodology shift reflects our forward-thinking strategy as we move towards a rebranded KidSight program. As an organization, we are cognizant of the operational constraints faced by both our diminishing district sizes and the aging of our volunteers. We are working efficiently to restructure efforts to better align needs with capacity.

Data Management Systems

Understanding the critical role of data, we've further enhanced our management systems to ensure robust and strategic decision-making processes. This period has seen us finalize critical decisions regarding data retention, usage, and security, all influenced by valuable feedback from our stakeholders and a shift in operational priorities. This positions us to better secure grants and measure the impact of our programs. Final components are being finalized to streamline data collection and processing for this coming Lions year, and BETA testing of new procedures has begun.

Financial Consolidation and Compliance

The adoption of advanced accounting software and processes has bolstered our financial reporting capacity and adherence to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The organization is also restructuring our policies regarding equipment management. Through this process, team member Lion Kristine contacted Lions Clubs across the state as the organization inventoried and valued equipment owned by KidSight Colorado. We sincerely appreciate all who participated in this process and assisted our organization in providing up-to-date information about your equipment. This information has allowed the organization to get an accurate accounting of our assets and update our financial reports accordingly.

Policy Updates and Compliance

We are working to complete a comprehensive update of our policies, working closely with experts to ensure they reflect the latest best practices and legal requirements. This is part of our commitment to maintaining transparency and integrity in all operations, especially as we transition into the organization's future.

Volunteer Management System

The enhancements in our volunteer management system have been remarkable. Over the coming months, KidSight will work with the Districts of MD6 to schedule training regarding the updates to club procedures regarding site screenings and data processing. We are ready to launch a new volunteer

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recognition program in anticipation of improving volunteer satisfaction and engagement. Additionally, we are now able to better track the volunteer contributions of MD6 Lions members and recognize their efforts in making our program a success. These changes align with our organizational needs and are pivotal as we prepare for a new phase in our journey.

Board Leadership Transition

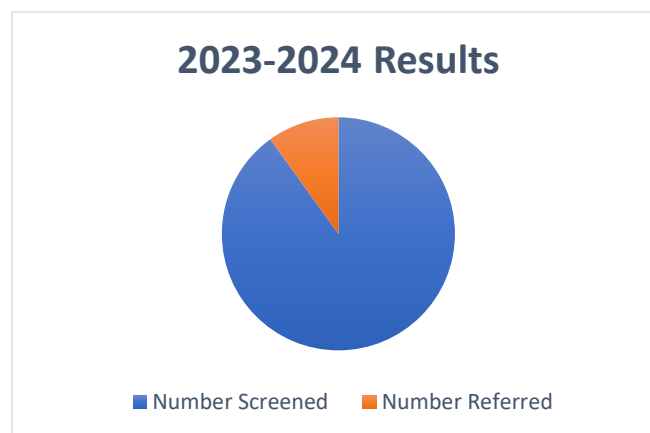
The board has shown remarkable resilience and adaptability. New board members have stepped up, bringing stability and renewed vigor to our governance. These changes have been essential in maintaining continuity and effectiveness at this critical juncture. As an organization, we could not be more thankful for the service of our board members and the time, consideration, and effort they put into their roles.

Rebranding Initiative

In alignment with our evolving vision and mission, we are excited to announce our desire to rebrand in the fiscal year 25-26 to the Rocky Mountain Lions KidSight Program. This rebranding reflects our commitment to better serve our community and enhance our impact. We look forward to sharing more details as we progress with this initiative.

Students Served

In Lions Service Year 2023-2024, the KidSight Program Screened 22,613 children and referred 2,496 for further vision services, resulting in a total referral rate of 11.038%.



I am deeply grateful for the unwavering support and dedication of each and every one of our board members, staff, and volunteers. Your commitment during this transformative period has been invaluable. We stand on the brink of a new chapter with a stronger, more dynamic KidSight program, ready to face future challenges and confidently seize new opportunities, thanks to your individual contributions.

Thank you for your continued trust.

Sincerely,

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