

Since 2008, the Essilor Vision Foundation, the non-profit arm of Essilor of America, has provided 193,000 vision screenings, dispensed 58,000 pairs of glasses and performed more than 65,000 eye exams for youth across the country. In its sixth year of operation, the foundation aims to screen an additional 75,000 children and dispense more than 37,000 pairs of new eyeglasses through programs such as employee engagement and Kids Vision for Life, where mobile vision clinics, school vision days and Kids Vision Fests provide no-cost vision services to students in need across the country.



To meet this goal, the foundation recently dispatched a new mobile clinic in Central Texas and is gearing up to host Kids Vision Fests in Orange County, Calif., and Dallas later this year. Kids Vision for Life also expanded programming to Louisville, Ky., and Washington D.C. The foundation has also launched a new website to accept online donations and provide volunteers with a simple way to sign up to help with various events across the country: [www.essilorvisionfoundation.org/myevf](http://www.essilorvisionfoundation.org/myevf).

In addition, the foundation is continuing its partnership with Alcon's THEeyeSOLUTION to spread the national reach of Kids Vision for Life. It has created new a partnership with the Fundación Volver in Colombia and additional partnerships in Canada, Brazil, Argentina and Mexico. The foundation will provide guidance and support to vision health programs in these countries.

To learn more about the Essilor Vision Foundation and its programs, visit [essilorvisionfoundation.org](http://essilorvisionfoundation.org) or the Essilor Vision Foundation Facebook page.

**Also:** Essilor of America has presented the State University of New York State College of Optometry (SUNY) with a \$250,000 gift. The donation, to be made over a period of five years, will help to ensure the SUNY dispensary remains an innovative, state-of-the-art facility for patients and students.