

SIGHT LOSS SERVICES, INC.

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Are you ready to join the 'One Percent'? Sight Loss Services of the Cape & Islands truly hopes that you are.

We had been at our office at 81 School Street in West Dennis for many years, thanks to a very generous lease from Ernest and Priscilla Eastman, the owners of the building. But the lease ended, the Eastman's have both passed away, and the building is for sale. When we began to look at similar rental spaces in the mid-Cape area, we saw that our rent would be at least double for the same sized space. The economics made sense to purchase, and we have bought a space at 900 Route 134 in South Dennis. It is the office of a retiring chiropractor, and is set up to be accessible – in fact, the building has ramps instead of staircases to the front door! Our visually impaired board members visited, and found the space easy to navigate and far better lit than our current office. Sight Loss is being helped by Cape Cod 5 with financing for the balance of the purchase after using some savings, and we have a loan for \$50,000 – which brings us to the One Percent.

Sight Loss Services is asking you for a donation to the new Building Fund to help us purchase our permanent home. **Your \$500 donation is one percent of our debt**. We plan to have a special and permanent recognition of all the One Percenters, and we want to include you in that number. Your check should be made payable to Sight Loss Services, Inc. As a registered 501-c-3 non-profit, your donation to us is deductible to the fullest extent allowed under the law and we are happy to provide you with a receipt. Contributions – of *ANY* amount – should be mailed to P.O. Box 241, South Dennis, MA 02660.

This is an exciting time for us and a big step. Having our own permanent space will give us stability as an established institution, and will reassure our members and clients that we are here to provide the services they rely upon for the long term. Steadfast support that we offer to the vulnerable blind and visually impaired is valued in a world full of change as something they can count on, and I hope that you will be able to help us meet this *once*-in-a-lifetime goal.

Sincerely,

Cynthia E. Stead

Executive Director

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