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ATTORNEY GENERAL AWARDS FUNDING TO PREVENT BLINDNESS OHIO

COLUMBUS – Prevent Blindness Ohio received an award of \$5,000 from the Attorney General's Office last week.

Prevent Blindness Ohio was chosen because of its long-standing efforts to improve the health and well-being of Ohioans. Founded in 1957, the voluntary health organization provides direct services to more than 800,000 adults and children annually and educates millions of consumers on what they can do to protect their sight.

“Prevent Blindness Ohio positively impacts the lives of many of Ohio's less fortunate,” Attorney General Petro said. “I am pleased that my office can assist them in raising vision awareness throughout this state.”

The discretionary funding is made available through various charitable gambling settlements reached on behalf of the state of Ohio. Prevent Blindness Ohio will use the funds for various programs, including providing access to comprehensive eye exams and eyeglasses for the medically indigent.

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PHOTO: Kathy McGinnis, Prevent Blindness Ohio Board Chair, and Andrea Albanese Denning, Vice President Development of Prevent Blindness Ohio, accepts the check for \$5,000 from Attorney General Jim Petro's Office Regional Director of Public Affairs Rob Pike.

Prevent Blindness Ohio, founded in 1957, is the only voluntary, not-for-profit health organization dedicated to preventing blindness and preserving sight. It serves all 88 Ohio counties, providing direct services to more than 800,000 Ohioans annually and educating millions of consumers about what they can do to protect and preserve their precious gift of sight. Prevent Blindness Ohio is an affiliate of Prevent Blindness America, the country's second-oldest national voluntary health organization. Visit our website at www.pbohio.org or call 800-301-2020 for more information.