Skills Center, Inc.



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"Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does." ~ William James.

Our newest adventure in fundraising, Community Funded, launches August 1st and will run through the 27th. We call on all of you to help us spread the word, raise some funds, and have some fun with this new kind of fundraising! Check out CommunityFunded.com to find our campaign. There will also be a link on our website homepage and donate page. Time to rock and roll! Any funds collected will go toward our Onsite van and program.

Blind Institute of Technology

B.I.T. is bridging the gap between the visually

impaired community and the corporate environment. B.I.T. is committed to promoting awareness of these innate qualities, such as active listening, communication and problem solving skills as well as being exceptionally detail oriented. Several Colorado companies, including Denver Water, Integro, Webroot, Avaya, Novartis and Kovarus have already committed their support of B.I.T. For more information contact Mike Hess:mike@blindinstituteoft echnology.org

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What's New at Ensight...

Ensight is rolling out our Onsite van this month!

- August 10th: Sterling at the Logan County Fair and Parade.
 We are introducing our van to the South East of Colorado with
 a parade! Thank you to the Sterling Lions Club for their drive
 in getting this going. The parade starts at 9am on Saturday
 August 10th. Afterwards, our van and staff will be found in
 the fairgrounds.
- August 11th: First official 6NE Lions cabinet meeting with District Govenor Kenneth Moore. This event will take place at the New Platte Valley Fire Protection District Building— Station 37 located at 207 1st Street Kersey, CO. There will be an "All you can eat lunch" from 12:30pm-1:30pm. The price for lunch is \$6. All the proceeds raised will go to Ensight. Hope to see many of you Lions there!

Upcoming Events...

<u>Co-Pilot Ride</u>- An opportunity for blind and low-vision individuals to experience bicycling in a safe and fun environment. All rides will meet at New World Sports, The Gearage located at 401 S. Mason, (This is a new location) Fort Collins. Next Ride: Aug. 30 (F) 5pm Spring Creek/Poudre East

Living with Low Vision Series-

This summer, come on down to the Greeley Centennial Library at 2227 23rd Ave. in Greeley. This monthly presentation on different subjects related to vision loss will be Friday, August 16th, 10:30-11:30am.

<u>Grandchildren</u> <u>Coffee Group:</u> – Greeley, Colorado. August 15th at 9:15am. First United Methodist Church, 917 10th Avenue in Greeley, Colorado. Continental breakfast provided. For more information, please call (970) 346-6952.

Upcoming E-Squared Groups...

- Greeley E-Squared Group- The Greeley Group will be meeting on the fourth Monday of the month at the Curtis Strong Center located at 918 13th St. Suite 4 in Greeley. The next meeting will be held on August 26th from 10-11:00 am.
- The Fort Collins E-Squared group will be meeting again on Thursday, August 22nd from 10-11:00am. This group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at Ensight's Fort Collins.
- The Denver group will be taking a short break. This group will not meet in the month of August. For a list of available support groups in your area please call 1-303-757-4500.
- The Loveland group will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
 The next meeting will be August 20th from 10:30-11:30 at
 Sugar Valley Estates, 4320 Georgetown Drive in Loveland.
 This group is open to the community.
- Please call Melody @ 970.310.9665 for more information.

Our Wish List...

Ensight and Curtis Strong Center ask those who have an interest in donating items to help us stock up on these items that we use to run our offices: Postage stamps, batteries ("AAA" and "AA"), trash bags and coffee. Thank you to all of our supporters.

Acknowledgements...

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Ensight's Consignment Program

Ensight is always looking for any used assistive technology components that are in need of a home. If you are in possession of a CCTV or low vision aides and would like to get rid of them we have a great program. Bring the equipment into Ensight and we will put it on consignment. Once we sell it you will get a percentage back. This is a great way for us to find affordable equipment that we can pass along to our clients. If you have questions about dropping off, picking up, or the consignment process call Ensight:970-407-9999. Also, you can donate any equipment that is no longer useful to you.

Ensight's E-Newsletter

Did you know that we can send our Ensight newsletter right to your email? If interested in switching to our e-newsletter please send a request to Melody@ensightskills.org and we will switch you right away.