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1. What is the Eye on Vision Foundation striving to achieve?

The Eye on Vision Foundation was started to raise money for research in the areas of vitreous floaters, visual snow and macular degeneration. There is very little federal funding allotted to vision research, and EOVF strives to provide funding in pursuit of a treatment or a cure for these conditions.

2. Where will my donation go?

Donations to the EOVF go to external research facilities which currently have the knowledge, equipment, and facilities for vision research. Currently, we are searching for an eye research institute for the vitreous floaters research, Bascolm Palmer for the macular degeneration research, and are working with Prof. Goadsby and Dr. Schankin on ground breaking research for visual snow. Each time EOVF makes a donation to a facility, we will post it under the news section on eyeonvision.org, so you know exactly where your donation is going.

3. Why doesn't the Eye on Vision Foundation do in-house research?

We are a charity run by individuals and not researchers or doctors, and simply don't have the funds or the backing to set up our own research facility. After speaking with many medical research facilities, we have learned that it is very common for independent charities to raise the funds, that the large institutes need to start or continue with their research. Many of the microscopes alone needed for this type of research cost over \$1 million.

4. I believe in this cause, how can I donate?

Donating is easy and tax deductible as we are a 50(c)3. You can simply follow this link: [and be taken to our secure donation form](#). If you prefer to mail your donation, simply send it to:

Eye on Vision Foundation
14614 Josair Dr
Orlando, FL 32826

5. What makes EOVF different from other charities?

EOVF is truly groundbreaking. There is currently no research being done anywhere in the world for vitreous floaters, and before EOVF partnered with UCSF, there was no research for visual snow. There is also a huge need for more money to be allocated in search for a treatment for macular degeneration. As of now, there are two foundations, ourselves and one other raising funds for floaters research and we are the sole charity raising funds for visual snow research. I've had numerous conversations with representatives from top institutes who are more than willing to do the research, the only factor holding them back is the funding.

6. My eyes are fine, why should I donate to this cause?

That was probably what I would have thought several years ago. That is, until I woke up one morning and was face to face with a serious condition that there is no treatment for. It is hard to believe in this day and age that there are still medical conditions out there that science isn't even looking into, but the fact of the matter is that there are. You never know what tomorrow is going to bring when you wake up. I just ask that you put yourself in my position. Imagine waking up tomorrow with a chronic condition you must live with every second of your life, and knowing that doctors aren't even looking for a way to help you. Imagine, your child coming to you complaining of seeing spots before their eyes, and not being able to help them. Imagine your mother not being able to see your face again because macular degeneration has robbed her of her site.

It is very understandable that we want to donate to causes that are close to our hearts. Unfortunately, the statistics for vitreous floaters and macular degeneration are very alarming. By the age of 70, most people will have floaters. It is a natural part of the aging process. Your odds of having floaters are extremely high. Macular degeneration is the leading cause of blindness and low vision in Americans aged 50 and older. Archives of Ophthalmology estimate that 3 million U.S. residents will have MD by 2020. These conditions may be closer to you than you think. It is important to be proactive where your vision is concerned, because it is the most precious of all of your senses. How would your job be affected if you had spots floating before your eyes all day long? Worse yet, what would your world be like if you could no longer see???

Making a donation today to the Eye on Vision Foundation might have a much greater impact on your future quality of life than you might ever realize.

7. I've heard of floaters and macular degeneration, but never Visual Snow. Is there anywhere I can learn more about this condition?

Yes, there are websites that we currently recommend that you visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/229020277110681/>

<http://visualsnowforum.com/>

8. Is my donation tax deductible?

Yes, all donations are tax deductible.