



Invites You

To participate in the Prevent Blindness Tri-State annual "Eyes on America's Workforce" WorkSight awards.

This program is designed to recognize achievement in the prevention of work place eye injuries and promotion of healthy vision.

WHY PARTICIPATE?

- * You will be recognized for your commitment to making your workplace a safer and more productive environment.
- * The award can be a positive morale generator for your workforce.
- * The award will raise your organization's visibility in the corporate community as well as reflecting your organization's concern for its employees. It also sets a standard for your peer's participation. Presentations of the awards take place annually at the New Jersey Safety Council Safety EXPO in Atlantic City, New Jersey.
- * If your organization does not currently have a safety program, we can jumpstart the process through a referral to our OSHA Alliance partners who will provide a free consultation, and help you to begin to formulate an eye safety policy for your company.

The Prevent Blindness Tri-State WorkSight award program is open to both private and public employers.

PREVENT BLINDNESS TRI-STATE

Strives to be recognized as a leader in providing the best eye health and safety programs in the workplace.

FACTS ABOUT EYE INJURIES IN THE WORKPLACE

- * Every year, vision disorders account for more than \$8 billion in lost productivity, and uncorrected vision can decrease employee performance by as much as 20%. (Vision Council of America)
- * 2,000 eye injuries occur each day in the workplace with at least 100 of these injuries resulting in one or more days of lost work time. 1/3 of eye injuries require treatment in an emergency room. (National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health)
- * The cost of eye injuries in the workplace is over \$300 million annually.

More than 90% of all eye injuries can be prevented!

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"Eyes On America's Workforce"

WORKSIGHT AWARDS PROGRAM

Preventing Blindness & Preserving Sight

Presented by



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CLIMB THE CORPORATE AWARD LADDER!

Vision Council Award

Awarded to a company, facility, or department for working throughout the calendar year without an eye injury in the workplace.

Board of Directors Award

Awarded to a company, facility, or department for working two consecutive calendar years without an eye injury in the workplace. The recipients must have previously received the Vision Council Award.

President's Award

Awarded to a company, facility, or department for working three consecutive calendar years without an eye injury in the workplace. The recipients must have previously received the Board of Directors Award.

President's Continued Excellence Award

Awarded to a company, facility, or department for working four or more consecutive calendar years without an eye injury in the workplace. The President's Continued Excellence Award

Additional Criteria

All applicants must have an eye safety policy that includes a hazard assessment, training, and enforcement clause.

In order to qualify for the President's Award you must also have a prescription safety glass program and education in eye disease and health. If neither of these programs exist, PBTS can offer training to your employees.

For more information about WorkSight and the sight saving services we provide, please visit our WorkSight web site at:

www.workplaceeyesafety.org

Or our own site at:

www.preventblindnesstristate.org

WORKSIGHT PROGRAM

Annual Certification

We can certify that your employee eye health & safety program meets the minimum PBTS standards for eye health & safety in the workplace. Exemplary eye health and safety programs can be submitted for awards consideration.

Eye Health & Eye Safety Information

We can provide eye health and eye safety brochures for your employees at discounted rates; and Access our web sites at w2ww.workplaceeyesafety.org; www.preventblindnesstristate.org

Eye Safety Training

We can help make your worksite more eye safe with employee training on the care and proper use of eye safety equipment.

PREVENT BLINDNESS TRI-STATE OTHER CORE PROGRAMS

Healthy Eyes for Kids

Provides vision screening, eye exams, glasses, and other vision services for low income children to help prevent permanent vision loss and learning difficulties.

Eye on Your Vision

Provide information, education, screening, referral and follow-up for low income, older adults (age 40+) to prevent permanent vision loss and reduced quality of life.

Advocacy

Raise the awareness of legislators and public officials of the emotional, physical, and economic impact of vision loss.

Promote action on vision issues and concerns at the local, state, and national level.



Eyes on America's Workforce Safety Award

Reporting Year

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

Company Name	_____
Address	_____ City/State/Zip _____
Contact Name	_____ Contact Phone _____
Contact E-mail	_____ Web Address _____

Industry Type _____ # of Employees at your site _____

Does your company have a written Safety Program? YES NO

If yes, does the program include a written eye safety component? YES NO

How many reported Eye Related Incidences (injury & near misses) has your organization had in the following reporting period?

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 _____

To enter please complete and return one application and a copy of your eye safety policy for each company/facility by March 1, 2010 and mail to...

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Attention: WorkSight Awards Program