

Dear Friends and Family,

Imagine this: you are taking a vacation to Italy and you board the plane ready for your European vacation. You have done all the planning and research so you will be prepared once you arrive. You step off the plane and you are in Egypt. You weren't expecting the sudden change and you feel very unprepared and anxious. This is a place you know nothing about.

This is how most parents feel when they receive the news that their child has a visual impairment. They have prepared by reading books and taking classes but suddenly they are faced with an unexpected future. The Children's Center for the Visually Impaired (CCVI) is there to help prepare young children with visual impairments, including those with multiple disabilities, to reach their highest potential in the sighted world. They provide each family with the best resources possible to help them succeed.

I am participating in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sabates Eye Centers Trolley Run on April 17 to help raise money for the children of CCVI. By donating to me you will help provide vital programs and therapies to the 390 children CCVI serves annually. Help me reach my goal by visiting my fundraising page, listed at the bottom of this letter, and donate to this year's event. You can also read about the event and learn more about why CCVI is so important.

Donating through my personal fundraising page is simple, fast and totally secure. It's also the most efficient way to contribute! You may also mail in donations to CCVI at 3101 Main Street in Kansas City, MO 64111, please just place my name in the memo line of your check.

Please send this letter onto your friends and family so they can help us raise as much money as possible.

Thank you for your support of CCVI and the Trolley Run!

*Be sure to include the web address to your family team fundraising page here.*