

# Local 734 Welfare Fund / Pension Fund

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## INCREASED VISION BENEFITS Starting January 1, 2017

To All Eligible Active Participants:

The Plan's vision benefits are being increased to **\$500** starting January 1, 2017. There will no longer be specific scheduled amounts for exams, frames, lenses, etc. – instead, you can use this benefit to cover your eye exam and eyewear (glasses or contacts), *including lens enhancements such as progressive lenses, polarized or tinted lenses, high-index plastic lenses, scratch-resistant coatings, and non-reflective coatings.*

Benefits will be paid as follows:

Employees and spouses .....	80% up to <b>\$500</b> per calendar year
Dependent children (under age 26) .....	100% up to <b>\$500</b> per calendar year

The following expenses are covered under the new benefit:

- *Examination* - Complete visual analysis, including case history and refraction, and the prescription of eyeglasses where indicated. Vision benefits are payable only when eye refraction is performed.
- *Lenses* - Prescription eyeglass lenses, including but not limited to single vision lenses, bifocal and trifocal lenses. Covered expenses include lens enhancements such as progressive lenses, polarized or tinted lenses, high-index plastic lenses, aniseikonic lenses, and scratch-resistant and non-reflective coatings, but only when added to prescription lenses.
- *Frame* - Frames for prescription lenses.
- *Contact Lenses* - Hard, soft, long-wearing or disposable prescription contact lenses.