

PHILLIPS EYE INSTITUTE FOUNDATION

## The Irving and Janet Shapiro Innovative Technology Fund

The Irving and Janet Shapiro Innovative Technology Fund was created to honor the commitment and dedication of Irving Shapiro, MD, and his wife, Janet, to Phillips Eye Institute and the larger community.

It ensures that Phillips Eye Institute remains firmly at the forefront of providing leading technology and equipment to care for our patients. The Fund allows for significant capital purchases to better assist in the diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases.

Millions of people around the world experience vision loss or blindness. Advanced techniques and procedures are gaining in popularity, and providing immediate access to them is important for Phillips Eye Institute to consistently provide the best possible outcomes for our patients.

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**The generosity of donors helps us bring the latest eye care technology to our community.**

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Improved technology not only advances care for nearsighted and farsighted patients – it also helps patients who have serious eye diseases like macular degeneration and glaucoma. Because technology is constantly evolving, new solutions for eye care and vision loss are right around the corner.



*In addition to having specialized technology, we have staff dedicated solely to eye care.*

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*We are committed to investing in technology that helps us provide the best patient care at all times and serve the region as a unique ophthalmology resource.*

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## How your donation helps

Here are some examples of technology in use at Phillips Eye Institute that has been funded by our donors.

- The **Cyclo G6** is a noninvasive micro-pulse laser used to treat glaucoma. When pressure inside the eye remains high despite treatment with medication, the Cyclo G6 offers an effective alternative to surgery with less risk and fewer potential side effects.
- The **Spectralis OCT** is a laser-based imaging technology that provides rapid, painless and noninvasive views of the delicate structures inside the eye. These extremely high resolution images help doctors diagnose various eye conditions, as well as monitor disease progression and treatment response.
- The **Trabectome** is an electro-surgical device used to treat glaucoma by increasing the eye's natural drainage. It is often used in conjunction with cataract surgery, offering a minimally invasive technique with fewer risks than traditional glaucoma surgery.

For questions about giving, contact Laurie Hennen, executive director, Phillips Eye Institute Foundation, at 612-775-8758 or [laurie.hennen@allina.com](mailto:laurie.hennen@allina.com)

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