# 2022 by the NUMBERS

#### **Donors**

1,376 gifts received

from 27 states and 59 counties. We welcomed 186 new donors.

#### **Advocacy**

Advocated on health care, transportation, employment, education, civil rights and accessible voting with:

- State Legislature
- 3 cabinet-level state agencies
- Wisconsin Elections Commission
- Governor's Office
- Local governments

#### **Scholarships**

8 \$2,000 scholarships

Awarded to students across Wisconsin

#### **Volunteers**

841 hours donated

#### **Education**

**87** presentations reaching 3,998 participants

Topics included: Transportation
• Access Technology • Adapting to Changing Vision

#### **Vision Services**

129 Vision Rehabilitation Visits

255 Access Technology Appointments

123 Low Vision Evaluation Visits

139 Phone Consultations

**20** Orientation & Mobility Visits (Oct.-Dec.)

### **Sharper Vision Store**

1,517 customers from 65 counties

#### **White Canes**

438 canes provided to clients in 48 counties

**32** communities and the State of Wisconsin issued White Cane Safety Day proclamations

#### What are

## **VISION SERVICES?**

In 2022, the Council expanded its menu of vision services with the addition of orientation & mobility training, braille instruction and an on-site vision rehabilitation classroom. We currently offer:

- Low Vision Evaluation explores ways to make the most of existing vision using color, contrast, lighting, magnification, and other optical and non-optical aids.
- Vision Rehabilitation Therapy helps people regain independence and confidence by learning adaptive skills to safely manage day-to-day tasks.
- Access Technology Instruction empowers people to gain access to information as efficiently and easily as possible using such devices as smart phones, tablets, personal computers, smart speakers and refreshable braille.
- Orientation & Mobility Training provides skills for getting around safely and independently, including white cane skills, navigating one's own home and neighborhood, and traveling via public transit.
- Braille Instruction provides the foundation for those interested in using braille at any level, from a working knowledge to accomplish daily tasks to the proficiency necessary to read a whole book.