

New Eye Clinic for VOSH Virginia

There will be regular free eye care being delivered by VOSH Virginia at the Charlottesville, Virginia this year. Thanks to a very generous donation from Dr. Terry Mangold, O.D., of New Creek, West Virginia and the support and



coordination of Dr. David Stacy, VOSH TTP Chairman, we are fulfilling a lifelong dream for the Drs. Doug and Vicki Weiss and VOSH Virginia to provide a sustainable eyecare clinic in Charlottesville Virginia for the uninsured.

Dr Douglas Weiss, FVAO and Jeremy Weiss, VOSH-VA members with TTP equipment at Charlottesville Free Clinic

The timing could not have been better. While a number of eyecare practitioners provided support to the Free Clinic by seeing some of their patients in our offices each month for many years, the Free Clinic had lacked the space to provide eyecare. Shortly after being notified of Dr. Mangold's available donated equipment, we discovered the Free Clinic was in the process of moving to a larger space. The Free Clinic volunteers were very excited to have the opportunity for sustainable eyecare on site for better access and compliance for their patients. After waiting out the winter snows, Dr. Doug Weiss and his son Jeremy travelled to West Virginia to bring Dr. Mangold's equipment back to Charlottesville and are now in the process of setting it up in one of the Free Clinic's exam rooms. We are watching COVID developments closely and hope to open for eyecare in the upcoming months.

There were some remarkable antique frames that were donated but most importantly excellent equipment in very good working order. There will be easier access of high-quality eye exams with this central location along with other

healthcare providers and improved continuity and sustainability of care. The Free Clinic 's patients, the other health care providers and VOSH Virginia are all excited about this new improved ability to provide services to the uninsured, low income patents in Charlottesville. We are greatly appreciative for the opportunity to do this work and represent VOSH.



Dr Douglas Weiss, FVAO member of VOSH-VA