

# 2024 Sandy Seventh Day Adventist Vision Clinic

May 23, 2024

## Report of Findings

This year marks the third community **Vision Clinic** held at the Sandy Seventh-day Adventist church, which took place on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. This event is one of several our church offers which have proven effective outreach vehicles for our church into the community. These efforts provide improved well-being through basic health/life assistance offerings for those who are unable or struggling to meet these important health/life needs due to limited resources.

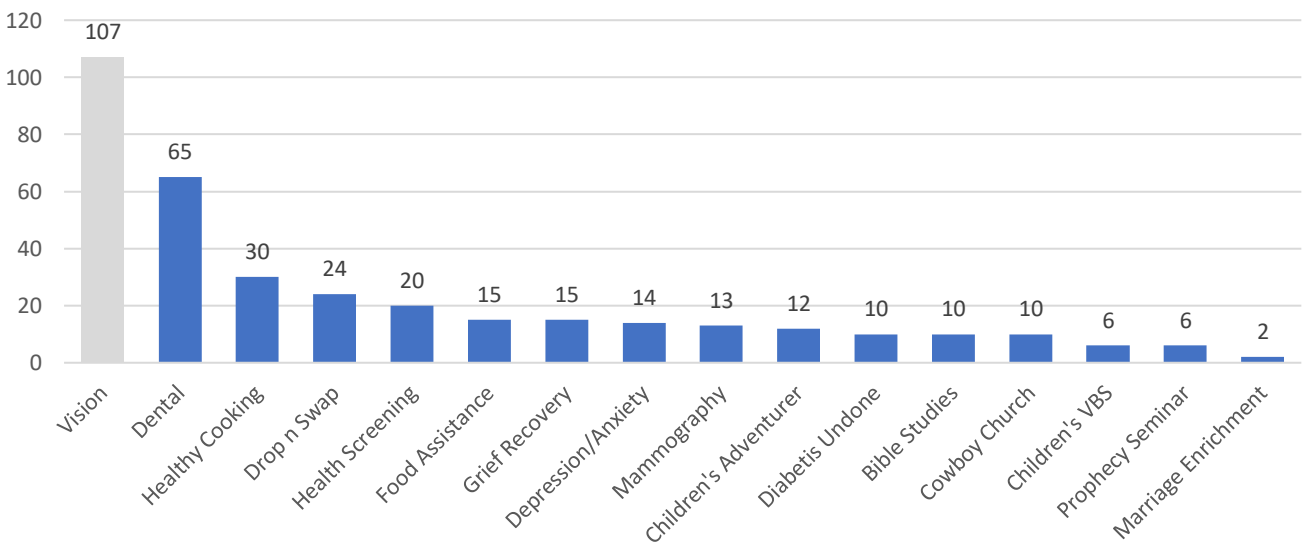
Along with providing the service itself, we also gather information from our guests as a means of assessing other areas of interest or need where our church may be well situated to fulfill, and to better target our efforts and resources to their greatest impact as we expand and improve our presence in the community. To do this, we ask each guest to complete an Exit Survey, which provides a list of the current (or potential for) ministries our church offers. Below is the report of findings from this year's exit survey.

**Total number of guests: 115**

**Total number of surveys completed: 107**

**Percent of guests completing surveys: 93%**

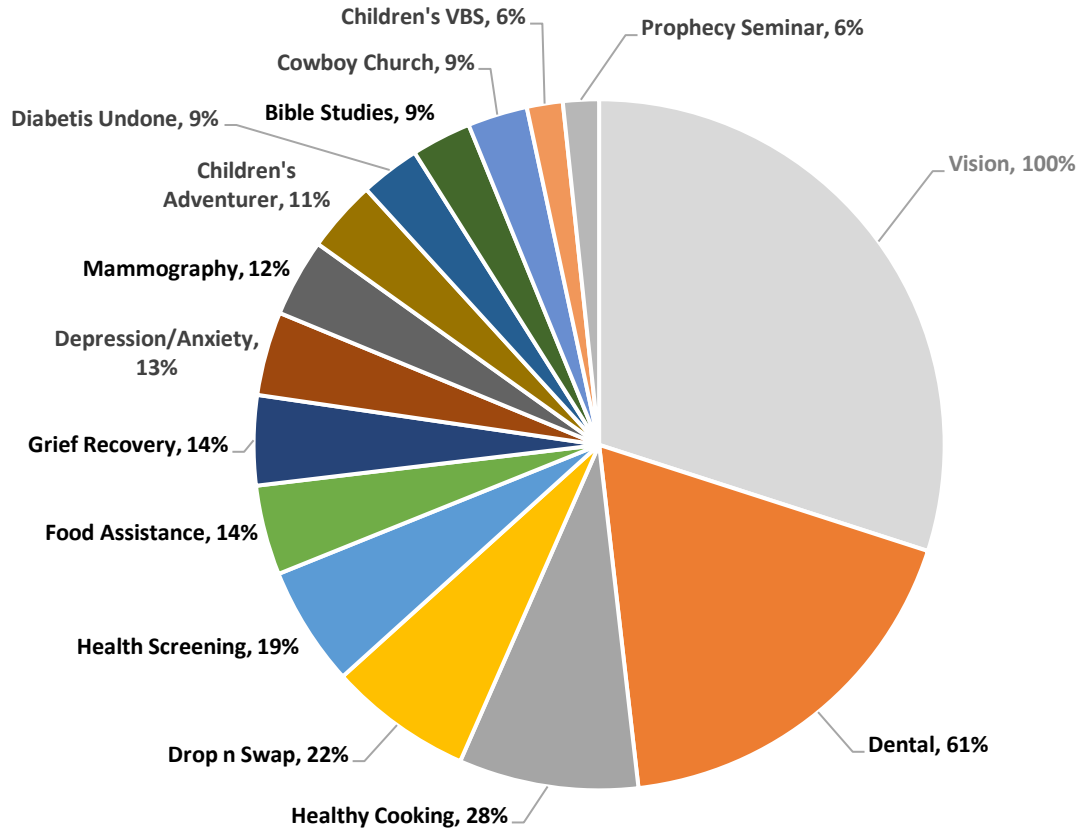
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## Vision Clinic Offerings

The Sandy Church Vision Clinic services are staffed entirely by volunteers and offered free of charge to the community. Each guest is offered vital information about their eye health via administration of multiple eye tests such as

- Snelling test for basic vision assessment
- Refraction test for astigmatism assessment
- Pressure measurements for glaucoma screening
- Visual field test for peripheral vision assessment and potential indicators of retinal detachment and diabetes
- Optical exams which include cataract assessment, potential symptoms of retinal tears, diabetes, floaters, and flashers.

In addition to visual health screening, a comprehensive vision prescription is assessed and determined by licensed optometrists or ophthalmologists using a full range of equipment.

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The clinic also provides guests an opportunity to select a pair of eyeglass frames from hundreds of available options and includes prescription fulfillment, which takes approximately 4-6 weeks. Guests return to the church to receive their newly filled prescription glasses when ready. Each of our 115 guests in attendance at this clinic received the full bevy of these services at no charge, with 113 receiving prescriptions for corrective lenses and eyeglasses.

## Qualifying Factors

Guests must be 6 years or older.

Guest must wait 18 months between clinic exams.

## Community response

We received an overwhelming response to our community offering, with on-the-ground announcements placed throughout the Sandy and Estacada communities. The event booked out and was opened to 'waiting list only' two weeks prior to event date. We had a waiting list of 33 individuals.

## Challenges

Two of the four doctors were unable to work the full day, resulting in an unanticipated decrease in the lanes. The decrease from four lanes to two lanes resulted in longer wait times in the afternoon, and we were unable to accept additional individuals whom we were either unable to confirm during our 'time slot confirmation calls', or who were walk-ins on the day of event. This represented approximately five individuals who walked in and we were unable to serve. However, we were able to receive all confirmed individuals throughout the day, as well as a handful of unconfirmed and on the spot walk-ins while we still had four lanes running.

## General Assessment

The community response to the Sandy Church offering was both well received and well attended, exceeding maximum capacity. Guest comments were overwhelmingly favorable, with comments of gratitude and profound appreciation for what we are doing. Many guests commented on our beautiful church and the friendly welcome they received. We also heard inquiries of interest about the Adventist health message related on the screen scroll and printed media provided at our gift bag table. Most all guests accepted the unanticipated wait-times in the afternoon with an understanding and cheerful heart, while five guests noted prolonged wait times specifically as an area of improvement for next year via the exit survey.

Health offerings like this one help to place the Sandy Church in a favorable and well accepted position to reach into our community with invaluable and greatly needed services and increase both our community's awareness of our church while helping our church increase our understanding of our community's constituents and its needs.