# HOPE FOR TOMORROW - FUNDRAISER WORLD WITHOUT CHILDHOOD BLINDNESS

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Of 3.5 million premature births in India, approximately one in six (about 600,000) children are born at <32 weeks gestational age (GA). Estimating that about 40% of these receive neonatal care and 80% of them survive, about 200,000 children are at risk of developing ROP in India every year.

- Source Indian Journal Of Ophthalmology

#### The Vision:

A world where every child can see, learn, and thrive without the shadows of blindness.

# The Challenge:

Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) affects 2,00,000 premature babies in India annually, leading to irreversible blindness.

#### The Solution:

Pan-India ROP Program rollout, led by Rotary International District 3011, supported by Goutami Eye Institute and The Eye Foundation of America.

#### The Goal:

Raise \$500,000, matched equally by The Eye Foundation of America, to:

- Establish 100 ROP screening centers across India.
- Train 500 healthcare professionals in ROP detection and treatment.
- Screen 50,000 premature babies annually.
- Treat 10,000 ROP-affected babies annually.

# Why This Matters:

Childhood blindness has far-reaching consequences:

- 75% of blind children never attend school.
- Blindness reduces employability by 50%.
- Blindness increases poverty and social isolation.

#### Your Support Can:

Change lives, restore vision, and empower futures.

# **Event Highlights:**

- Inspiring stories of children who have overcome blindness.
- Expert panel discussion on ROP and childhood blindness.
- Exclusive fundraising dinner.
- Live music and pledge drive.

#### Sponsorship Opportunities:

- Platinum Sponsor: \$50,000
- Gold Sponsor: \$30,000
- Silver Sponsor: \$20,000
- Bronze Sponsor: \$10,000

### **Individual Donations:**

# Every contribution counts:

- \$100: Screens 5 premature babies.
- \$500: Trains 1 healthcare professional.
- \$1,000: Treats 1 ROP-affected baby.

# Join the Movement Be part of something extraordinary.

**Donate Now** 



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Together, let's illuminate young lives and create a world without childhood blindness.

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