

“I was thrilled to have received Clovernook’s guidance in addressing my particular needs. I now find my independence enhanced and through handheld magnetic devices, I am able to better read publications, my computer screen and even labels.”

—Dick Goff

Maintaining Independence:

Through the use of Clovernook’s Low Vision Support Groups, Jane Strohmeier was able to meet other individuals dealing with a similar challenge—low vision. Low vision affects 25.2 million Americans ages 18 to 64 and 65 and over.

By offering low vision support groups, Jane can socialize, learn, share information and support herself and others in regards to life’s everyday challenges.

How we helped

After being diagnosed with Macular Degeneration in the mid-70s, Jane lost most of her vision and her identity. Nearly 20 years after her vision loss, Jane sought services to help her adjust to living with low vision. What she received was so much more.

Jane met other people dealing with vision problems. She learned how to do old things in new and innovative ways, get more information about low vision and meet new friends—all within a safe environment. By learning how other people dealt with their own vision loss, and with the help of a Clovernook social worker, Jane was able to focus on her abilities instead of her vision loss—resulting in freedom and independence.

Clovernook Center’s Community Services program offers a broad range of supports to help individuals adjust to recent and long-term vision loss. Program staff assist consumers with managing life challenges which accompany vision loss and other issues as they occur. Our Community Services program consists of service providers who represent a broad range of education and experience in counseling and case management.

We need your help

In a 2009 survey of the Great Cincinnati community conducted by Cincinnati Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired and Clovernook Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired, 75 percent of individuals polled stated that their family understands how their vision loss affects their daily life. By getting the support they need, these individuals will be able to learn more about low vision and improve their quality of life.

