Fast Facts

• New home to UNMC Low Vision Clinic
• Located at the southwest corner of 38th Avenue and Jones Street
• 4,540 square feet
• Modeled after the renowned Deicke Center for Visual Rehabilitation in Wheaton, Ill.
• Services provided by ophthalmologist, optometrists, occupational therapists and nurses

Expanded services to include:

• Demonstration of low vision home adaptations
• State-of-the-art diagnostic equipment, such as the Scanning Laser Ophthalmoscope (SLO)
• In-depth exams by low vision ophthalmologists or optometrists
• Vision rehabilitation training provided by an occupational therapist
• Increased number of low vision devices available for loan or to purchase
• Opportunity to try a variety of high tech devices, such as large-screen video magnifiers
• Services offered to pediatric population as well as adults
• Expanded low vision store
• Educational programs for students, professionals and community members
• Support group meetings
• Inclusion of clients in clinical research pertaining to low vision

About low vision

• Nearly 14 million Americans – about one in 20 people – have impaired vision
• The older visually impaired population is the third fastest growing group of people needing rehabilitation services in the United States, outpaced only by arthritis and heart disease
• The most common causes of low vision are macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, stroke, and a variety of hereditary diseases, such as retinitis pigmentosa