Hello Members of the Giving Circle,

My name is Rithvik Raguram, and I am writing on behalf of my 501c(3) non profitorganization Strings for Sight. To summarize from the last meeting, our mission is to support the visually disabled by fundraising through music. Any collected funds will be utilized to diagnose and directly treat (usually by means of surgery) individuals living in less fortunate Indian communities.

Our goal this year is to perform 500 vision corrections surgeries, and in order to make a difference, we rely on the generous support of individuals and businesses in our community. We would be very grateful if the Giving Circle would consider donating \$2000 to our organization. These funds will be crucial in organizing our upcoming eye camp which will be hosted near Krishnagiri sometime between Dec 26th 2022 - Jan 6th, 2023. In a similar fashion to the eye camp we organized with the help of Aravind Eye Hospital in April 2022, the majority of these funds will be used to advertise to local communities, organize transportation from rural villages to more populated areas with proper infrastructure, and to host the volunteers/doctors who will be performing surgeries and diagnosing patients. In April, we were able to identify and provide 185 surgeries with 1000\$. If we were to approximate how many surgeries we could perform with a donation of 2000\$ using last year's data, we could perform roughly 400 surgeries, however, due to the nature of how donations are implemented in our organization, the number of surgeries performed could be much greater. (However, we won't know the exact number of surgeries that will be performed until after the camp.) Thank you for considering donating to Strings for Sight, and we promise that any donation made will be used to directly support visually impaired individuals in rural Indian communities.

Please contact me at <u>rithvik.raguram.24@bishops.com</u> if you would like to donate. You may also contribute by going to <u>https://stringsforsight.com/donate/</u>. Thank you again for your time, and we hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely, Rithvik Raguram