

## Having Laser Vision Correction (LVC) Saves You Money!

When you look at the actual costs for eye care over a lifetime, there is a significant cost to glasses, contacts, solution, and examinations. After a very conservative analysis these were our results:

- A 20 year-old could save over \$48,000 over his/her lifetime with LVC
- LVC could pay for itself within 4 years (if you wear prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, and use contact lenses)
- LVC is even cost effective for most people in their 40's and 50's!

These statistics are based on the average U.S. life expectancy of 77.7 years, and our own estimates of vision correction costs based on current industry prices and recommendations.

These are the basic cost assumptions of this analysis:

- Prescription Eyeglasses: \$200 every other year
- Prescription Sunglasses: \$350 every other year
- Contact Lenses: \$40 per month
- Contact Lens Supplies: \$12 per month
- Annual Eye Exam (also applies to LVC): \$85 per year

Actual prices may vary based on your situation but we hope that this will be helpful for anyone who is researching the benefits of LVC. What really puts this over the top is the advantage of financing at zero or a low percentage, since spreading the payments out over time takes away the upfront cost. By the time the investment *in you* is paid for, about half of the savings have been realized. Note that these procedures are tax deductible and you can utilize your pre-tax flexible/health savings account as an added benefit.

