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## Big Swing Golf Tournament on Oct. 2 to Benefit VisionCorps

**LANCASTER, Penna. (Sept. 13, 2023) –** Ray Shirk's Big Swing Golf Tournament and Silent Auction is set for Monday, Oct. 2, and will once again benefit VisionCorps.

The event will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the Iron Valley Golf Club, 201 Iron Valley Dr. Lebanon, PA 17042 www.ironvalley.com. Sign up here or by calling 717-875-1516.

Not a golfer? A silent auction will be held along with the golf tournament, and donations of goods and services are appreciated. Please contact Lisa Shirk at 717-875-1516.

The golf tournament, one of VisionCorps' fundraisers since 2013 was established by Lisa Shirk, a former VisionCorps Foundation Trustee, in memory of her husband, Ray Shirk.

Ray Shirk was a successful businessman, entrepreneur and visionary. He was the founder and CEO of the Securus Group, a multi-faceted insurance firm that earned the honor of Best Places to Work in PA. in 2008 and 2011. To honor Ray Shirk's love of golf and the local organizations he cared about, she started Ray Shirk's Big Swing Tournament. It is now an annual event.

"VisionCorps is a light in the darkness for people with limited, impaired, or no sight," says Lisa Shirk, who said that she and Ray appreciated the help their grandson received from VisionCorps. "It lights the way to live on a daily basis."

Ray Shirk's Big Swing 2023 Tournament will benefit VisionCorps, the Lancaster Science Factory, and the Joshua Montpetit Foundation.

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## **About VisionCorps**

VisionCorps is a nonprofit with a goal of empowering people who are blind or vision impaired to attain independence by providing them with the tools and training, including employment, to empower them. The organization serves almost 2,000 individuals with rehabilitation services in Lancaster, Lebanon, Chester, York, and Adams counties. VisionCorps' prevention services include KidSight, which screens more than 8,000 children annually for vision loss.

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