

# VOSH Connecticut

Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity®

VOSH-Connecticut was designated an official chapter in October, 2001 and we are an official 501 (c) (3) organization, as recognized by the Internal Revenue Service.



During our most recent mission in January, 2020, VOSH-Connecticut completed its 19th successful mission to San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua. Over the 4 days of the clinic, 6 Optometrists, 20 students and 1 optician saw 4,103 patients. The mission was a great success and everyone had a wonderful time caring for those in need.

Thereafter the COVID-19 virus took hold, forcing all VOSH missions throughout the world to be suspended. We are considering several proposed missions with RAM (Remote Access Medical) for 2023.



Dr. Matthew Blondin is the founder and President of VOSH-Connecticut. He is been in private practice in Torrington, Connecticut for over 40 years and currently practices with his son-in-law Dr. Michael Shea at Blondin Shea Eye Care LLC.

Dr. Blondin holds a Masters in Public Health Degree from the University of Connecticut and has served as Chairman of Connecticut Board of Optometry. He is also a Fellow in the American Academy of Optometry and Diplomate in the American Board of Optometry.

Dr. Blondin is assisted in VOSH-Connecticut by his wife Attorney Audrey Blondin who also holds a Masters in Public Health Degree from the University of Connecticut and is currently an Adjunct Professor of Law and Public Health at the University of New Haven, West Haven, Connecticut.

