In March NWLERC shipped 3,950 pairs of glasses to El Salvador

Glasses were provided for a PazSalud (PeaceHealth) mission. Through collaboration with local organizations in El Salvador, PazSalud continues to serve patients living in poverty by providing Optometry and Cataract Screening (OCS) missions to the most vulnerable. Through an OCS, patients receive eye exams, prescription glasses, reading glasses, lubricating drops, a cataract screening and when necessary a referral for ophthalmology care.

THIS IS NWLERC’s 354th MISSION
VOICE student lends a helping hand in his second year of volunteering and learning at NWLERC

NWLERC is proud to be a partner with North Thurston School District in the VOICE program. VOICE stands for Vocation Opportunities for Independent Community Employment program. This program offers a transition opportunity to 18-21 year old students who require extra instruction in vocational and life skills.

Alex is a current VOICE student and a great volunteer. Alex runs the dishwasher, wipes glasses and reads glasses with the lensometer. This is his second year in the program. He is working hard on employee skills and does a great job listening to directions. He is a fast learner and we enjoy having him here. A great bonus for us and for Alex is his Coach — Louise. She is supportive and will jump in and volunteer at LERC as well.

— Suzanne Gayda
Unintended Consequences
Hit NWLERC

At LERC, we dutifully recycle all extra cardboard. Someone decided "recycle" included their garbage (a lot) a few weeks ago and the accompanying photo shows the efforts required to remove the unwelcome refuse. We never know what our volunteers are going to be called upon to do!

Thanks, Volunteer Paul, for going above and beyond.
The Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center was named 2009 Recycler of the Year by the Washington State Recyclers Association in recognition of its practice of putting back to productive use or recycling all materials received for its eyeglass program.
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