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Guiding Eyes for the Blind Welcomes Christopher Perry as President & CEO

Guiding Eyes for the Blind is pleased to announce that Christopher Perry will join the organization as its new President and Chief Executive Officer, effective **November 3, 2025**.

Perry is a seasoned nonprofit executive with a distinguished career spanning leadership roles in several mission-driven organizations. He employs a servant leadership approach and has a proven track record of driving organizational growth, increasing fundraised revenue, and enhancing program impact at organizations he has managed.

Since 2018, Perry has served as President & CEO of Spectrum for Living, a New Jersey nonprofit dedicated to supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Under his leadership, the organization expanded its reach through 26 program locations, serving more than 1,000 adults annually while employing more than 600 personnel. His previous leadership roles include Executive Director positions at Ronald McDonald House Charities New York Tri-State Area, College Summit New York, and Boys Hope Girls Hope of New York. He began his nonprofit career at Covenant House New York, where he provided legal advocacy and services to homeless and runaway youth.

A former civil defense litigator and current member of the New York State Bar, Perry holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Skidmore College, a Juris Doctorate from Washington University School of Law, and a Master's degree in Nonprofit Management from The New School.

"We are thrilled to welcome Christopher Perry to Guiding Eyes for the Blind," said John Donnelly, Chair of the Board of Directors. "His deep commitment to social impact and his strategic leadership experience make him the ideal person to guide our organization into its next chapter."

“Guiding Eyes for the Blind empowers individuals with vision loss by pairing them with extraordinary service dogs that promote greater independence,” said Perry. “I am deeply humbled to have been selected as their President & CEO, and I look forward to working with the organization’s Board, staff, and the broader community to ensure the success of every student graduate and guide dog who walks through our doors.”

Christopher Perry will officially begin his role on **November 3, 2025**, and will be introduced to staff, stakeholders, and the community in the coming weeks.

About Guiding Eyes for the Blind

Since 1954, Guiding Eyes has assembled a loyal team of generous supporters, passionate staff and dedicated volunteers who help meet the growing needs of the diverse community of people with vision loss. Guiding Eyes has graduated more than 10,000 guide dog teams that bring meaningful change to the lives of people facing vision loss. To learn more, please visit www.guidingeyes.org.

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