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Founded in 2004

Mitchel Shapiro has a dream to create a world where people with vision and hearing challenges may experience no limits. He and his sister both suffer from Usher Syndrome which is the leading cause of deaf-blindness, but he is committed to using his personal adversity to inspire others to find ways to enhance the quality of life for all people affected by vision and/or hearing losses.

Mr. Shapiro leads by example and he is a strong proponent of the concept of volunteerism. As a motivational speaker, he moves audiences with thought-provoking insights that challenge listeners, encouraging them to “see” past obstacles and to take positive action in their own personal and professional lives.

Established in 2004, the Foundation for Sight and Sound assists people with vision and hearing conditions through programs such as Help America Hear and Help America See. The foundation provides grants for programs, services and equipment that are not addressed by traditional funding.