#### To All TA/OA & MTA Bus Members

# **New GVS Benefits Effective Sept. 1, 2020**

TWU Local 100 is pleased to announce major enhancements to the package of benefits provided by General Vision Services GVS

including – for the first time – *a comprehensive hearing program.* 

Local 100 President Tony Utano said that these new benefits are made possible as a result of the 2019 contract with the MTA.



## **Comprehensive Hearing Program - 1st Time Ever**

- Hearing Aids (\$500 per ear allowance)
- Comprehensive Hearing Screening at no cost
- All hearing devices carry a 3-year product warranty.
- A one-year supply of batteries will be included with the hearing device.
- Many brands are available including:

#### Unitron, Phonak, Resound, Siemens, Starkey and Widex.

- Hearing Discount A discount program will be offered for an active member's spouse and dependent children. Retirees are also eligible.
- Discounts at in-network locations for hearing devices can be up to 50% off

# **Benefits Extended to Age 26 for Dependent Children**

Eligible dependent children are now covered up to age 26 (regardless of student status)

## **Calendar Year Cycle Change**

All eligible Members benefits are refreshed on January 1st of each year. (If you have already used the benefit in 2020, or plan to so before the end of the year, the next usage date will be January 1, 2021.

#### **Vision Enhancements**

- 1. Co-payments for Premium Anti-Reflective Lenses now reduced to \$10 (previously \$48)
- 2. Co-payments for Adult Polycarbonate Lenses now eliminated (previously \$30)
- 3. Out-of-Network reimbursement fees increased

# New GVS Mobile App

- a. View your benefit information
- b. Find provider locations and schedule appointments
- c. View GVS frame collection
- d. Verify eligibility for Member, Spouse and Dependents

#### **Custom Mobile Eye Care Van**

TWU Branded Mobile Eyecare Van now solely dedicated to the TWU membership. Now available five days a week, Monday through Friday



