Cincinnati Retirement System (CRS) Vision Plan Comparison

New for 2026, healthcare-eligible pensioners will have two vision coverage options through EyeMed to choose between: the Basic Plan and the new Plus Plan. The Basic Plan is the same plan that has been available through CRS. The Plus Plan provides richer coverage with higher frame and contact lens allowances. Full plan summaries will be available on the CRS website. Key highlights include:

Benefit	Basic Plan	Plus Plan (New for 2026)
Eye Exam	\$10 copay	\$10 copay (includes retinal imaging \$10)
Frame Allowance	\$50 allowance	\$150 allowance
Contact Lenses (in lieu of glasses, once per year)	Up to \$100 allowance	Up to \$150 allowance
Standard Plastic Lenses (in lieu of contacts, once per year)	Progressive – Standard: \$75 copay	Progressive – Standard: \$10 copay
2026 Monthly Rates	Subscriber: \$2.21 Subscriber + Spouse: \$4.21 Subscriber + Child(ren): \$4.42 Subscriber + Family: \$6.50	Subscriber: \$4.94 Subscriber + Spouse: \$9.41 Subscriber + Child(ren): \$9.88 Subscriber + Family: \$14.53

Summary:

- The Vision Plus plan offers richer benefits at higher monthly rates.
 - It offers higher frame/contact allowances and a lower copay for standard progressive lenses.
- Retinal imaging covered at a \$10 copay under Plus Plan.
- Lens copays and discounts are mostly the same across both plans.

Choose the plan that best fits your vision needs in 2026!