Hierarchy of Vision Function

Legally Blind
Counts fingers. Doctor holds hand in front of face, person can count number of fingers
Can make out color
Can make out forms and shapes of larger objects, doorways, shadows
Can see hand moving in front of eyes; moving objects
Can see light sources
Sees light; can make out where it comes from
Totally Blind

Low Vision
20/800 - Sufficient for independent travel
20/200 - Legally blind. May read enlarged print when very close
20/100 - May need some special educational help and optical aids
20/70 - May be able to drive
20/50 - May read small print
20/40 - Normal vision

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