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I Stopped Taking Medication That Gave Me Full Lashes—This Genius Product Helps

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Sadly, I'm not naturally blessed with full, [thick eyelashes](#). Instead, I got sparse, thin, and short ones. I remember the life-changing moment in seventh grade when I discovered the power of a good eyelash curler. The little contraption lifted my lashes and actually made them look like they were doing something. I obsessively curled them every day before school.

So I was making do with an eyelash curler and [mascara](#) from the age of 13 to 24, when I was diagnosed with [glaucoma](#). The eye condition is no joke—it can lead to blindness if left untreated. And because the condition affects a lot of older people, it seemed like a cruel twist of fate that I had gotten it in my early 20s. Blame genetics, I guess.

While the diagnosis was scary, it was all about treating and managing my glaucoma since there's no cure for it, and I needed my sight for at least a couple more decades. And this is where the silver lining comes in: The main part of my treatment was taking these prescription eye drops called [Lumigan](#). These weren't just any ordinary eye drops. My ophthalmologist said there were two side effects. One, they might make my iris darker in color (which was okay for my brown eyes), and two, my eyelashes would get [longer and thicker](#).

My jaw dropped in the doctor's office. These didn't sound like bad side effects at all. Longer and thicker eyelashes? Definitely not a burden. It turns out the medication was the [exact same formula](#) as Latisse, the popular eyelash-growth serum.



This serum not only makes your lashes longer and fuller, but it also conditions, moisturizes, and strengthens. Ingredients include polypeptides, biotin, panthenol (vitamin B5), amino acids, soybean oil, and pumpkin seed extract.

What the reviews say: "I've always had short, thin, weak, straight lashes. I decided to give Rapidlash a chance, and IT ACTUALLY WORKED. I couldn't believe it. I noticed a difference after about a month of use, and then continued growth/length for the next several months. We're talking long, shiny, healthy, barely-falling-out lashes."