



Missouri Lion

January-July 2024

Multiple District 26



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Missouri Lions Calendar

~Important Upcoming Events~

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
September 5-7, 2024	USA/Canada Forum	Louisville, KY
September 13, 2024	Saving Sight Board Meeting	St. Louis
September 20-22, 2024	1VDG Leader Dog Visit	Michigan
October 4-5, 2024	PDG Weekend	Hannibal, MO
October 26, 2024	Council of Governors Meeting-Eagles Club	Jefferson City, MO
November 2, 2024	Eye Mission Day	Recycling Center, JC, MO
November 9, 2024	Mid-South Second Quarterly Meeting	Branson, MO
January 25, 2025	Council of Governors Meeting	St. Louis, MO
February 10-14, 2025	DGE Training	St. Charles, IL
February 21-22, 2025	M1 District Convention	Rolla, MO
Feb. 28-March 1, 2025	M6 District Convention	Branson, MO
March 7-8, 2025	M5 District Convention	Warrensburg, MO
March 7-8, 2025	M7 District Convention	TBD
March 8, 2025	Mid-South Third Quarterly Meeting	Memphis, TN
March 14-15, 2025	M4 District Convention	Chillicothe, MO
March 21-23, 2025	M2 District Convention	St. Louis, MO
March 28-29, 2025	M3 District Convention	St. Clement, MO
April 4-5, 2025	Mid-South Visiting Lions Day	Memphis, TN
May 1, 2025	Council of Governors Meeting	St. Louis, MO
May 2-4, 2025	State Convention	St. Louis, MO
June 6, 2025	Mid-South Annual Golf Tournament	Olive Branch, MS
June 7, 2025	Mid-South Quarterly mtg./Cataract-A-Thon	Memphis, TN
July 4-8, 2025	International Convention	Mexico City, Mexico
July 26, 2025	Council of Governors Meeting	Jefferson City, MO
October 25, 2025	Council of Governors Meeting	Jefferson City, MO
April 23, 2026	Council of Governors Meeting	St. Joseph, MO
April 24-26, 2026	State Convention	St. Joseph, MO
July 3-7, 2026	International Convention	Atlanta, Georgia
September 3-5, 2026	USA/Canada Forum	Memphis, TN
July 2-6, 2027	International Convention	Washington D.C.
June 23-27, 2028	International Convention	Singapore

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*2023-2024 State
Peace Poster
Winner*

Peace Poster Theme 2024

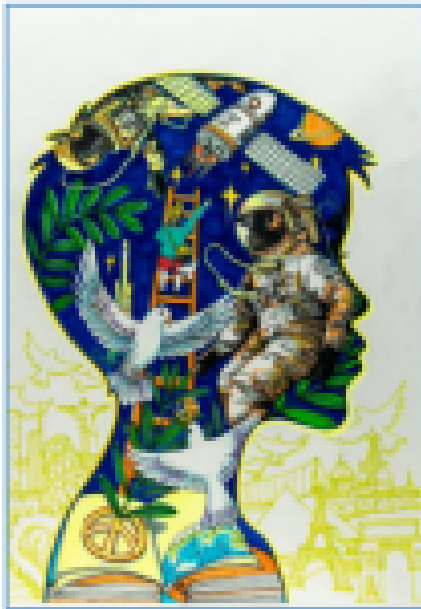
THE 2024-2025 CONTEST

Peace Without Limits

For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority. This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.



2024 Peace Poster Contest



"Peace Without Limits" is the theme for the 2024-2025 Peace Poster Contest! Now's the time to get your kit ordered and be prepared to make contact with your local school. Each kit includes the contest rules.

The poster pictured here was the 2023-2024 Grand Prize Winner. The winner was an 11 year old student from China. The theme was "Dare to Dream". This contest gives children ages 11-13 a chance to creatively express their visions for the theme and inspire the world through art and creativity.

For 2024-2025, students are asked to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.

Here are some important deadlines to keep in mind:

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 15:** Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.
- **February 1:** International winners notified on or before this date.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

**To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822*



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M1

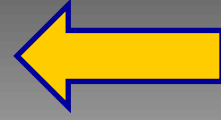
State Convention Melvin Jones Recipients

SUPPORTING THE LEADER DOG FOR THE BLIND, LAKE PET HOSPITAL STAFF AND MEMBERS OF THE ELDON LIONS CLUB CELEBRATED RAISING \$660 FOR LEADER DOG. THIS MONEY WILL HELP SPONSOR A DOG FOR THE PROGRAM. SHOWN ARE LAKE PET STAFF, LION LISA AND PDG BILL FOGLESONG. LION DR KATHY BISGES AND DISTRICT GOVERNOR ED BIERBOWER

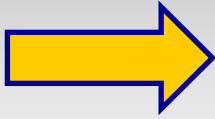




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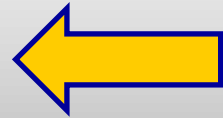


M4 Basketball

All-Star Tournament



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2nd



Lions—

If you've ever been interested in participating in a eye glass mission trip—now is your chance!! Details for an October 2024 trip are listed below!

Volunteers to serve as technicians are needed. We are also looking for interested doctors.

Mission Trip – October 3-6, 2024

Mexico

Rioverde, San Luis Potosi

2 Clinic Days

Key Details:

- Volunteers are responsible for their airfare and personal expenses. Food and lodging will be covered.
- The duties of the technicians include matching prescriptions to the appropriate glasses. For those inexperienced, you will receive information prior to the trip and training at the clinic.
- The time spent at the clinic will be physically demanding and may require long periods on your feet. It is essential that you be in good physical condition.
- You will need a passport.
- We are also recruiting doctors for this trip and future trips. If you know someone, we appreciate any referrals.

If interested in going on this trip, please complete the application and return to Lion Devin Struttman. His contact info is listed below. Preference will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis. If we have more interest than spots available, we will create a wait list. Past experience has shown that not everyone who commits initially will be able to go on the trip.



Other trips will be planned in the future. Local mission trip are happening now across the state. If you want to help, contact Lion Devin!

Lion Devin Struttman

President, Missouri Lions Eye Mission Foundation

devin@admr.com

**LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL**



**Missouri Lions Eye Glass Mission Events
Volunteer Application**

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

Birth Date: _____

I am a Lion and belong to the following club: _____

I am not a Lion.

I have previously served on a Lions mission trip.

I'm interested in volunteering for a mission event:

Rio Verde (San Luis Potosi, Mexico) – October 3-6, 2024

Local Mission (see calendar of events)

Future International Trip (Location TBD) - 2025

Please note, travel days may extend beyond these dates.

I am interested in serving on an eye glass mission event. I realize that I will be responsible for paying my travel and personal expenses (meals and lodging will be provided). I also state that I'm in good physical health. My signature does not commit me to going on a mission trip but indicates a sincere interest.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please send completed form to:

Lion Devin Struttmann, 770 Oakmont Ln, Union, MO 63084 or devin@admr.com



Open with ▾



We Serve



Dear Lion,

Growing up in Brazil as part of an entrepreneurial family, I learned how important it was to have a vision and a plan to achieve it. And I also learned how important community is to each of us who call it “home.” That’s the spark that led me to Lions. I saw something special in Lions—an opportunity to give back to the community that had been so good to me. As Lions, we have the opportunity to leave a lasting mark every time, and everywhere, we serve.

That’s why **“Make Your Mark”** is my message to Lions and the world. So, let’s make our mark by inviting others to join our clubs. Let’s make our mark by serving more people than ever before. And let’s make our mark together.

It is my honor to serve as your international president. At your service,

Fabrício Oliviera
International President



LIONS QUEST

☀️ **LIONS QUEST, LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION'S (LCIF) SIGNATURE YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAM, IS A SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING CURRICULUM THAT GIVES STUDENTS THE SKILLS TO NAVIGATE LIFE AND PREVENT BULLYING AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.**

☀️ **LIONS QUEST HAS BEEN USED BY SCHOOLS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS FOR OVER 30 YEARS. THROUGH A SERIES OF SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL) CURRICULUM LESSONS, THE PROGRAM PROMOTES POSITIVE STUDENT BEHAVIORS THAT LEAD TO GREATER ACADEMIC SUCCESS, A GREATER CONNECTION TO SCHOOL, AND IMPROVED SCHOOL CLIMATE.**

☀️ **SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SKILLS BUILT BY LIONS QUEST:**

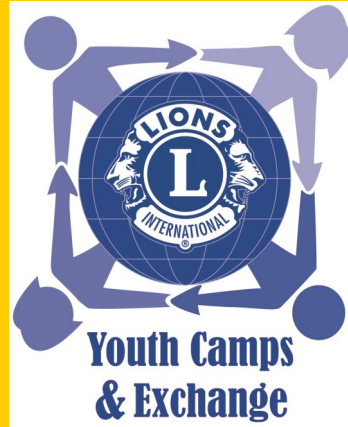
- **PROBLEM-SOLVING AND DECISION-MAKING**
- **CRITICAL THINKING AND CREATIVITY**
- **ABILITY TO WORK IN A TEAM ENVIRONMENT**
- **COMMUNICATION SKILLS WITH PEOPLE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE AN ORGANIZATION**
- **LEADERSHIP AND THE ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY MOTIVATE OTHERS**
- **STRONG WORK ETHIC AND PERSEVERANCE**



A Program of Lions
Clubs International
Foundation



YCE 2024 in St. James!



Students from Germany, Italy, France, Denmark, and Turkey were able to learn about Missouri Lions and what we do in our state! Kids sight as well as about Leader Dog!

Quick Start Service Ideas



Are you looking for an impactful service activity that doesn't require a lot of time, volunteers, or funding? Is your club newly chartered, rebuilding, or just ready for something new? Consider trying one of the following project ideas in any of our global causes to quickly grow in humanitarian service.



Provide support for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancer.

- Fill cards with best wishes and donate them to impacted families or a cancer center.
- Organize a group activity for patients, like reading books or playing games.



Reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those living with diabetes.

- Develop a diabetes resource list by connecting with a local health department or hospital and share with your community.
- Organize a weekly walking club or Strides event to promote healthy living.



Meet immediate needs and provide long-term support for communities devastated by natural disasters.

- Learn how to apply for Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) disaster grants.
- Connect with a local disaster relief organization and ask how your club can volunteer.



Protect the environment to create healthier communities and a more sustainable world.

- Clean a local area, like a park, roadside or beach.
- Hold a recycling drive to repurpose or donate gently used items.



Identify the world's most crucial needs and provide humanitarian aid where it's needed most.

- Visit those who are disabled or elderly living alone or in care homes.
- Collect donations to support an agency helping refugees, LCIF or a local Lions foundation.



Improve food security and access to nutritious food to help alleviate hunger.

- Collect food and donate to a group fighting hunger or organize your own food distribution event.
- Volunteer with a community group that brings people together to share a meal or become that group.



Help prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind or visually impaired.

- Create a fund to provide eyeglasses to those in need.
- Provide transportation for a group that serves those who are visually impaired.



Provide young people with the support they need to make positive choices, lead healthy and productive lives, and become the next great generation of service leaders.

- Host a Lions story hour at a local library or community center.
- Sponsor a Peace Poster and Essay Contest at a local school.

With LCIF Support, Lions Always Answer



Hello Lions, Leos and fellow humanitarians,

I continue to be impressed by the projects Lions are implementing in their communities, made possible through LCIF. As you read this month's newsletter highlighting ways Lions and LCIF are helping alleviate hunger worldwide through our service together, I hope you are inspired to continue supporting LCIF both financially and as an ambassador for our foundation. As we work together to achieve **MISSION 1.5**, and invite new members into our awesome organization, your stories of service empowered by our global foundation can inspire potential members to join us in our work to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities and support those in need across the globe.

Special thanks to everyone who participated in the 2023 Melvin Jones Photo Contest for sharing your photo and reasons for supporting the mission of LCIF. Congratulations to the winners, featured on the [Melvin Jones Photo Contest](#) page. I encourage everyone to visit *LCIF: Stories of Pride* to share your grant-funded projects with your fellow Lions and to read about humanitarian projects around the world.

Make a great day,

Brian E. Sheehan

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

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LEADING THE WAY



Leader Dogs for the Blind - Lions Newsletter



New Doors Have Opened

A GUIDE DOG STORY - KASSON W., NEW YORK

"I'm 37, I just lost my sight in 2020 just before the pandemic because I was attacked on the subway. I went from seeing to not, just in a day. I'm a people person, I'm a Leo, I used to bartend and I'm the life of the party. I have a close-knit family and I'm a protector. It's been a roller coaster since I lost my eyesight. During the beginning when it was also the start of the pandemic, I thought I would be able to see again, but the eye doctor told me I wouldn't be able to see again. At first, I didn't know there was life after being blind. I have a close-knit family and they tried to do everything for me, and I couldn't handle that. I needed to get past them doing everything which led me to feeling helpless. Then a new season began. It was rough in the beginning; I'm still getting through it... I'm still processing it, but sometimes I think maybe it was blessing because I'm doing things and experiencing things I normally wouldn't do. I feel like new doors have opened for me, everything feels right. I'm going with it and I'm not fighting against it. Leader Dogs for the Blind found me the best dog. I came to get Odyssey because I wanted to be heard. I motivate and inspire a lot of people and now I'm thinking about speaking and helping others."

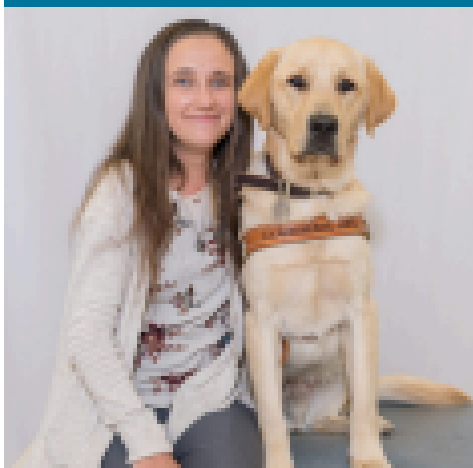
The Road to Confidence

AN ORIENTATION & MOBILITY STORY - CAREY J., ILLINOIS

"This program has intensified my freedom and confidence. I needed to know to not be scared, and I'm not anymore. I have turned back since, and I have walked more in my town since returning from Leader Dogs for the Blind than I did when I was a child with vision. I've walked more routes, I've even gone to the store for other people, and I walk with confidence. I have never felt so free."

**Did You Know
Leader Dog
has served
clients from all
50 states and
17 countries.**

**LEARN MORE ABOUT
OUR PROGRAMS**



**"HAVING MY LEADER DOG
DOESN'T ONLY CHANGE
THE WAY I SEE THE WORLD
BUT CHANGES MY LIFE; I
HAVE CONFIDENCE
KNOWING THAT I'M NOT
ALONE AND I'LL ALWAYS
HAVE MY BEST FRIEND BY
MY SIDE!"**

- LEA D., INDIANA -

I am pleased to share highlights from the 3rd Council of Governors Meeting, which took place on January 27, 2024, in Jefferson City. The meeting served as a platform to discuss important matters and receive updates on various state committees. Here are some key points from the meeting:

1. **Committee Reports:** Comprehensive reports were presented by representatives from all state committees. These reports highlighted the ongoing efforts, achievements, and future plans of each committee, providing valuable insights into the impactful work being carried out by our dedicated Lions.
2. **Constitution and Bylaws Changes:** Discussions centered around proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws. These changes are essential for keeping our organization aligned with evolving needs and ensuring efficient governance. Members were given the opportunity to provide input and share their perspectives on these proposed adjustments.
3. **Dues Increase:** The meeting addressed the necessity of a dues increase to support the continued growth and sustainability of our Lions community. This important topic was thoroughly discussed, and members were encouraged to share their thoughts to collectively determine the best course of action.
4. **Band Committee Name Change:** A proposal for the change in the name of the Band Committee was presented. This change aims to better reflect the committee's mission and activities. Members had the chance to express their opinions and contribute to the decision-making process.
5. **USA/Canada Forum Request:** The meeting discussed a request for participation in the USA/Canada Forum. This collaborative effort allows Lions from different regions to come together, share experiences, and learn from each other. The request was deliberated upon, and decisions were made to enhance our involvement in this valuable

The engagement and active participation of all members are crucial to the success of our Lions Clubs in Missouri. Your dedication to service and community development is truly commendable, and we appreciate your commitment to making a positive impact.

Thank you for your continued support, and let us carry the spirit of service forward into the future. CC Harold Spire MD 26

COG Update





As 2023 has come to a close, the Eldon Lions Club would like to thank the Citizens of Eldon, surrounding communities and counties for your unwavering support for our fundraisers. You have enjoyed our pulled pork dinner and our turkey dinner and you have attended one of our 4 Circus shows that were held over 2 days. This was a Sold Out Event! With your support and donations of the Best Silent Auction items the Eldon Lions were able to spread over \$13,500 in love and proceeds to:

- Eldon Elementary Good Deeds Day
- Provided funds to send students to Boys State and Girls State
- Participated in the Eldon Elementary Democracy Day
- Added to our Lions Club Scholarship
- Donated to EHS Speech and Debate Team
- Provided funds to help send student to Major Drum Academy
- Awarded two \$500 Scholarships to graduating students
- Donated to Kids Site and arranged for them to check eyes at Back to School Fair
- Donated to Leader Dog Breeding and Training program
- Donated to The Eye Glass Recycling Center in Cedar City, MO
- Participated in the Turkey Festival and Christmas Parade
- Provided pulled pork sandwiches to the Eldon Chamber Golf fundraiser
- Purchased and decorated a tree at Rock Island Park for Christmas Festivities
- Sponsored a student at Missouri State for the Blind
- Donated 30 turkey dinners to Our Father's Table
- Donated to Lions Club International Foundation, that in turn provides disaster relief, environmental issues, childhood cancer, vision and diabetes care.
- Donated to the Ministerial Alliance
- Donated to the EHS dual credit program
- Donated to Mid South, a hospital/clinic that provides free eye surgery and hearing aids
- Donated to the Eldon Food Pantry
- Donated to Serve Eldon
- Donated to The 2024 Elementary Good Deeds Day
- Donated to World Service for the Blind

The Lions Club is over 100 years old, has 1.4 million members in more than 200 countries and geographic areas around the world. We are the largest service organization in the world and we are inviting you to be a part of this wonderful organization. Our meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the Eldon Community Center, come visit us, have a free lunch and see what we are about.



Dear Lions and Leos,

Welcome to the new Lion year!

I am excited to serve alongside you as LCIF chairperson. We are starting the year strong, following tremendous generosity and successful service efforts last year. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our foundation, both financially and as an ambassador for the work we do together. Because of your generosity and leadership, LCIF raised more than US\$70 million to empower our future service.

As you read this month's newsletter, I hope you are inspired to continue finding ways to support our foundation by donating, exploring grant opportunities and sharing stories of impact. I look forward to seeing the grant projects and programs that Lions and Leos will implement through LCIF funding this year, and I hope to have the opportunity to visit with many of you as we continue to change the world together.

Yours in Service,

Dr. Patti Hill

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



THE DISTRICT DIGEST

A MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE LATEST LION NEWS

MISSION 1.5 NEWS

Expanding the Reach of Our Service

New club development takes great leadership and great teamwork. Check out our Club Chartering Tips video to hear from Lions around the world who share valuable insights and practical pointers on leading a successful new club development drive.

[WATCH NOW](#) 

Get Your *MISSION 1.5* Gear

Show your support while you fundraise, host club meetings or serve with exclusive *MISSION 1.5* merchandise.

[SHOP NOW](#) 



MISSION 1.5 

See What's New in the Lions Video Center

The Lions Video Center is your destination for the latest inspiring stories from Lions, Leos and leaders around the world. Grab your popcorn and start watching today!

[WATCH NOW](#) 

Cebu, Philippines



Explore the Lions Learning Center

Take your leadership to the next level. Use your Lion Portal account to access the Lions Learning Center and check out all the training and development opportunities.

[LOG IN](#) 



Funding Available for Membership Growth

Does your district/multiple district need financial support to start new clubs and recruit new members? Then consider applying for Specialty Club Workshop funding or a Membership Development Grant. These funds support a wide variety of membership efforts and activities to recruit more members and start new clubs. [APPLY NOW](#) 📌

Apply for a Leadership Development Institute Grant

Grants for the 2024-2025 Lion year are available to offer financial assistance for multiple districts, single districts (not part of a multiple district) and undistricted provisional districts/regions/zones hosting an Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) or Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) in their areas. Learn more and apply. [APPLY NOW](#) 📌

MISSION 1.5 Summit Starting Soon

During the first quarter of the new Lion year, multiple district and district teams will be revising membership growth action plans at focused *MISSION 1.5* Summits. Get ready to learn about best practices, success stories and the steps districts will take to build momentum and drive success.

Look Ahead at the FVDG/DGE Training Program

The FVDG/DGE Training Program webpage features helpful information about the FVDG/DGEs' year of training and what is expected. Check out the FVDG/DGE Program Overview and Frequently Asked Questions document to get started. [READ MORE](#) 📌

SVDG and FVDG/DGE Multiple/Single District Trainings

Multiple district/single district Global Leadership Team (MD/SD GLT) coordinators can request access to the MD/SD training curricula for both second vice district governors (SVDGs) and FVDG/DGEs and apply for a Leadership Development Grant to support

Annual Training Plans in Learn


Council chairpersons and district governors, encourage your GLT coordinators to share the 2024-2025 multiple district or district local training plan in Learn using their Lion Portal login. Posted local training plans provide Lion and Leo members visibility on available courses. [LOG IN](#) 📌

LCIP Recertification Update


If your Lions Certified Instructor Program (LCIP) certification became eligible for renewal as of July 1, 2024, your two assigned courses are now available in the Lions Learning Center (LLC), accessed through the Lion Portal, for completion by June 30, 2025.

[VIEW MATERIALS](#) 

Top Ten YCE Chairpersons Award Nominations Due Soon

August 15 is the deadline for immediate past district governors and immediate past council chairpersons to nominate exceptional YCE chairpersons for the 2023-2024 Top Ten YCE Chairpersons Award. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate dedicated YCE chairpersons! [LEARN MORE](#) 

District Excellence Award

Use the 2024-2025 District Excellence Award Application as a roadmap to help your district achieve excellence. Download the application and review the criteria to see what you need to accomplish to be recognized with this prestigious award. [LEARN MORE](#) 

GLT Coordinator Resources Available

GLT coordinators, congratulations on your role! To make the most of your time in this position, check out the GLT Toolbox to view helpful resources, including the GLT Coordinator Annual Checklists and GLT Coordinator Role Responsibility Timeline.

[LEARN MORE](#) 

Review Leo Club Program Advisory Panel Applications

District governors, council chairpersons and Leo chairpersons will be asked to approve one Leo and one Lion from their district or multiple district who applied for the Leo Advisory Panel. Check for an email to be sent the second week of August.


[LEARN MORE](#) 

Appoint a District Leo Chairperson

Leo chairpersons contribute to the success of their districts through the promotion, development and continual support of Leo clubs. District governors, appoint a district Leo chairperson in the Lion Portal or by filling out the form in the attached link.

[GET STARTED](#) 

Focus on Service in Two Global Causes


District team members, President Fabrício is challenging all districts to select two global causes to focus your service on this year. Be sure to encourage clubs in your district to plan service projects to support them. [LEARN MORE](#) 

Find Everything You Need to Start a New Club

Looking to start a new club? Then check out the Start a New Club webpage, your one-stop shop for all your new club development needs. Regardless of what type of new club or new club branch you are focusing on, you'll find what you need to help successfully charter a new club. [LEARN MORE](#) 

CLUB NEWS

Share Your Success Stories


Our social media kits make sharing membership growth stories with your community fun and easy. So, spread the word! Your next post may be the one that inspires the next great member of your club. [GET STARTED](#) 

Grow and Strengthen Your Club


Check out all the resources designed to help you maintain a strong and active club, create an even better membership experience and achieve even greater success.

[VIEW MATERIALS](#) 


Grow Your Club Leadership Skills

Club presidents, secretaries and treasurers, take this opportunity to sharpen your leadership skills. Learn more about your role, responsibilities and timelines for key tasks by completing the online club officer courses available in the Lions Learning Center using your Lion Portal login credentials. [LOG IN](#) 

New Tool to Capture Service Activity Information

You can collect all the data needed to report your club's service in the new Service Activity Information resource, which also includes a list of our global causes and project types. [DOWNLOAD NOW](#) 


Submit Your Kindness Matters Service Award Nomination

Nominations for the 2023-2024 Kindness Matters Service Award are open! Submit your nominations to the district Global Service Team (D-GST) for endorsement and recognize your club's outstanding projects in one of our global cause areas. [SUBMIT NOW](#) 


LCIF Grant Opportunity Updates

Updated application criteria and regulations for several LCIF grant programs are now available online. Around October 1, Lions can apply for the new Vision Grant, which will support equipment purchases, infrastructure expansion and medical training in low- and middle-income countries. [LEARN MORE](#) 


Celebrate World Sight Day with Service

World Sight Day is October 10, so be sure to take time to plan how your club can involve your community in supporting those who are visually impaired. Download our Vision Project Ideas resource to get started. [GET STARTED](#) 


Lions Tending Our Communities, One Family at a Time

Hear as Past Council Chairperson Mahesh Chitnis of Edison, New Jersey reflects on his club's experience welcoming two refugee families into their community through the Engage to Change Co-Sponsorship Initiative at Lions International. [READ MORE](#) 

Lions Build an Inclusive Park in Canada Through LCIF

Read how Lions in Canada, after recognizing the needs of community members with mobility challenges, used an LCIF grant to help create an environmentally-friendly, inclusive playground. [READ MORE](#) 

New Presidential LCIF Recognition Available

LCIF recently launched new, limited-edition International President Fabrício Oliveira Supporter recognition, available through your qualifying individual and club donations. [LEARN MORE](#) 

Get to Know the Global Action Team (GAT)

The *GAT Field Guide* contains information about GAT, what it does and how it can help your club. Check it out today! [VIEW MATERIALS](#) 📄

Let's Serve and Celebrate World Food Day

World Food Day is October 16 — and now is the time to plan how your club can involve your community in alleviating hunger by creating greater access to nutritious food.

Download our new service area resources to get started. [GET STARTED](#) 📄

Lions Are Entrepreneurs of Service

Lions club members are service-driven entrepreneurs, creating innovative solutions to meet the needs of communities worldwide. See how Lions are always ready to serve — from establishing partnerships with local business to delivering new equipment to communities in need and so much more. [WATCH NOW](#) 📺

Celebrate Community Is Almost Here

Now is the time to reach out to a local Rotary, Kiwanis or Optimist club to plan a joint service project for Celebrate Community from September 8-14. Let's show the world how working together improves communities and spreads even more kindness.

[LEARN MORE](#) 📄

LCIP Applications Due Soon

Lions in Constitutional Area VII qualified to apply for the Lions Certified Instructor Program (LCIP) must submit their applications for the LCIP in Christchurch, New Zealand by September 27, 2024. [APPLY NOW](#) 📄

FDI Applications Due Soon

Lions in Constitutional Area IV who are interested in attending the Faculty Development Institute (FDI) in Copenhagen, Denmark must submit their applications by October 11, 2024. [APPLY NOW](#) 📄



Free Eye Exam & Eye Glasses and Medical Screening Clinic

Must be registered to attend.



EYE EXAM AND
GLASSES



BASIC
HEARING TEST

COLOR
BLINDNESS



BLOOD
PRESSURE

BLOOD SUGAR



WHEN: SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 2024

TIME: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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