



Who are the LIONS?

Lions are members of community service clubs, dedicated to the idea that the men and women who live in a community are in the best position to know who needs help and why. More than 46,000 strong, these local clubs are part of the world's largest such organization, with 1.4+ million members serving in more than 200 countries and areas. The association is both non-political and non-sectarian.

Founded in Chicago, Illinois, USA in 1917 by insurance agent Melvin Jones and others, Lions Clubs International has ever since offered business and professional people a way of sharing their success by helping those less fortunate than themselves. The association became international when a club was formed in Canada in 1920. A highlight of its early history was a speech at the 1925 convention, when the legendary Helen Keller challenged the Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." They responded, and Lions are now best known for their sight-related programs, including SightFirst, the world's largest blindness prevention program. Today the Lions are sponsoring Lions KidSight USA, working to identify and help reduce childhood vision problems that may be a barrier to learning.

While Lions speak many languages and profess many religious and political beliefs, they all subscribe to common objectives and ethical principles.

LIONS subscribe to a specific "Code of Ethics" and follow the motto "We Serve". 100% of all community donations to the LIONS are used for charitable services or returned to the community either directly or through service projects.

LIONS Clubs generally meet on a regular basis for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Meetings provide a forum for project planning, guest speakers, and fellowship. Memberships in LIONS is by invitation, and open to any person, at least 18 years of age, of good moral character, and interested in serving their community.



We Serve

**Interested in serving your community as a LION?
Contact the Club POC shown below**

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