

What Every Lion Should Know



District 12-N

Lions Member

*Manual & Workbook
2011-2012*



LIONS CLUB MEMBER ORIENTATION MANUAL AND WORKBOOK

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This workbook may be used as necessary to educate and share the good works of Lions. To the best knowledge of the preparer, this information is factually accurate and up-to-date. Comments and suggestions are welcome.

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WELCOME

Dear Lion:

You are now part of the world's largest and most effective community service organization, with about 1.35 million members. Your club is one of more than 45,000 Lions clubs in 206 countries and geographic areas. Regardless of what language they speak, religion they practice or politics they espouse, all Lions are dedicated to seeking out and helping those in need.

Your association has a proud heritage of service dating to 1917. With your help, the future will be even greater. The first step is active participation in your club's service, fundraising, and social activities. Learn all you can as soon as you can. This booklet will help give you a basic understanding of the history, structure, and activities of the association. But it is only from your fellow club members that you will learn what this means in your own community.

As you become active and more knowledgeable, please share your experiences and pride of accomplishment with your friends and family. Few things can be as gratifying as bringing another person into our community of service.

WHO ARE LIONS?

Lions are...

- ◆ members of the world's largest and most active service club organization.
- ◆ men and women who believe that by working together they will accomplish far more than would be possible as individuals.
- ◆ members committed to solving worldwide health and social problems, and who realize that solutions are possible when every Lions club does its share.
- ◆ people who cherish the fellowship of their own club, but who also feel a close kinship with Lions throughout the world.
- ◆ patriotic citizens of their own countries and, who, in the global community, strive for a world at peace.
- ◆ individuals dedicated to maintaining the highest ethical and moral standards in their club - and in their personal lives.
- ◆ people who are serious about their commitment to humanitarian service, but have fun along the way.

Lions are people like you!

We Serve



HISTORY

In 1917, a Chicago insurance agent named Melvin Jones convinced his luncheon club, the Business Circle of Chicago, that it should align itself with other independent clubs to form a national organization that would be dedicated not only to networking for business and social purposes, but to the improvement of the community as a whole.

Among the groups invited was the Association of Lions Clubs, headquartered in Evansville, Indiana and led by Dr. W. P. Woods. At the time of the meeting, June 7, there were several Lions clubs already in existence, some having been organized in 1916. They were an outgrowth of a now-defunct fraternal organization called the Royal Order of Lions.

The Business Circle and other clubs agreed to rally under the Lions name, and a convention was called for October at Dallas, Texas. Thirty-six delegates representing 22 clubs from nine states (including Tennessee) heeded the call, approved the "Lions Clubs" designation, and elected Woods as the first president. Guiding force and founder Jones was named acting secretary, thus beginning an association with Lions that ended only with his death in 1961.

The convention also began to define what the association was to become. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, the colors of purple and gold approved, and a start made on the Lions Clubs Objects and Code of Ethics. Both the Objects and Ethics encouraged Lions to put service ahead of profit, and to uphold the highest standards of conduct in business and professions.

Community leaders soon began to organize clubs throughout the United States. The association became "International" with the formation of a club in Windsor, Ontario, Canada in 1920. Clubs were later organized in Mexico, China and Cuba. By 1927, membership stood at 60,000 in 1,183 clubs.

In 1935, Panama became home to the first Central American club. The first club in South America was organized in Columbia the following year. Sweden, then France, brought Europe into the association in 1948. Japan had clubs by 1952, and the so-called "Eastern Bloc" was unblocked in 1989 with the formation of clubs in Hungary, Poland, and Estonia. In 1990, a club was chartered in Moscow and Lions Clubs have been demonstrating the value of service in countries once closed to voluntary action.

A highlight of the association's early history was a speech at the 1925 convention, when 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 our sight-related programs, including *SightFirst*, the world's largest blindness prevention program. (Note: The text of this speech is provided in the "Resources" section.)



MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

The work of Lions since 1917 has resulted in...

- ◆ the creation of *SightFirst*, a blindness prevention program that aims to eliminate preventable and reversible blindness worldwide.
- ◆ the establishment and operation of a majority of the world's eye banks, resulting in approximately 10,000 sight-restoring corneal transplants every year.
- ◆ development of the *Lions-Quest* curricula which have provided millions of young people with the tools to make responsible decisions regarding drugs, alcohol and other threats to a healthy future.
- ◆ hospitals, clinics, playgrounds, parks and thousands of facilities that enhance day-to-day life in our communities.
- ◆ services to the blind, including dog guides, white canes, and a wide variety of employment opportunities and vocational training.
- ◆ immediate disaster relief and support for rebuilding efforts.
- ◆ Leo clubs, youth exchange and youth camps that help instill a philosophy of service in young people around the world.

Name

The official name of the association is "The International Association of Lions Clubs" or simply "Lions Clubs International." The name Lions was chosen because of the symbolism of what a lion animal represents – courage, strength, activity and fidelity.

Emblem

The emblem of Lions Clubs International consists of a gold letter "L" on a circular area. Bordering this is a circular area with two Lion profiles facing away from the center. The Lions face both past and future - showing pride in heritage and confidence in the future. The word "Lions" and "International" appear at the top and bottom, respectively.

Vision Statement

To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.

Mission Statement

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs.

Motto and Slogan

The official motto of the association is "*We Serve.*" What better way to explain our mission?

The slogan of Lions Clubs International is "*Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety,*" and as amended by 2010-2011 International President Sid Scruggs to, "*Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services*"

We Serve



LIONS PURPOSES AND CODE OF ETHICS

Lions Clubs International Purposes

- ◆ **To Organize**, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.
- ◆ **To Coordinate** the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.
- ◆ **To Create** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- ◆ **To Promote** the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- ◆ **To Take** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- ◆ **To Unite** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- ◆ **To Provide** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.
- ◆ **To Encourage** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.

Lions Code of Ethics is a guideline for the personal values that each Lion should exemplify.

- ◆ **To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
- ◆ **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- ◆ **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
- ◆ **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- ◆ **To Hold** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
- ◆ **Always** bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in work, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
- ◆ **To Aid** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- ◆ **To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.



LIONS CLUB

Lions Clubs are the most important part of Lionism; this is where the majority of service is performed. Clubs carry out the programs and activities that have made Lions International what it is today - the largest and most active humanitarian service organization in the world.

Membership in a Lions Club is by invitation only, and clubs usually meet at least twice each month. A typical Lions Club is governed by a Board of Directors, which usually meet at a separate day and/or time from the club meetings. The table below depicts the members of the club's Board of Directors.

Complete the table with the appropriate individuals (and phone numbers) for your club.

Board of Directors

President (King Lion)	_____
Immediate Past President	_____
1 st Vice President	_____
2 nd Vice President	_____
3 rd Vice President	_____
Secretary	_____
Treasurer	_____
Lion Tamer	_____
Tail Twister	_____
Membership Director	_____
Directors (four or more)	_____

The **President** serves as the club's chief executive officer and presides at all meetings of the club and board of directors. The President calls for regular and special meetings in accordance with the club's by-laws or procedures, plans the agenda and ensures that the status of each committee activity is reported. The President and Secretary are also active members of the District Governor's Advisory Committee of the zone in which the club is located.



The **Immediate Past President** and other past Presidents serve as an official greeter of members and their guests at club meetings and represent the club in welcoming new people into the community served by the club.

The **Vice Presidents** perform the duties of the President if he/she is unable to perform the duties of office for any reason. Each Vice President, under the direction of the President, oversees the functioning of various committees of the club.

The **Secretary** acts as a liaison officer between the club and both the District and International Headquarters. Responsibilities of the Secretary include submitting membership and/or activity reports, maintaining club records (including meeting minutes) and issuing financial statements to club members. The Secretary (with the President) is an active member of the District Governor's Advisory Committee of the zone in which the club is located.

The **Treasurer** is responsible for all club financial matters. Duties include receiving all monies and paying club obligations, maintaining financial records, preparing financial statements and submitting financial reports. Treasurers should maintain two separate bank accounts: The first is to handle the administrative expenses of the club, such as International dues, postage, copying, member meals, etc. The second is for the service and charitable activities of the club. Club fees and dues are used to pay the club's administrative costs. *Money raised from the public must never be used to defray administrative expenses, it can only be used for legitimate community or public needs.*

The **Lion Tamer** is the custodian of club property such as flags, banners, podiums, badges, meeting supplies, etc. The Lion Tamer also serves as a sergeant at arms during meetings and distributes materials as needed at meetings.

The **Tail Twister** serves to promote harmony, good fellowship and enthusiasm at club meetings through the judicious imposition of fines on members. One common way for a member to be fined is to forget to address a fellow member as "Lion". The Tail Twister may not be fined except by the unanimous vote of all members present.

The **Membership Director** chairs the Membership Committee and is responsible for developing membership growth programs, implementing recruitment and retention programs, and preparing orientation sessions.

Assisting the Board of Directors are various administrative and activity committees. Committees are established to plan the club's activities and/or coordinate various functions. A chairperson or co-chairs are appointed by the President. Committee members are either appointed by the President or solicited by the committee chair. There are some core committees that most clubs will establish, however, many committees are unique to individual clubs. Ask your club President for a list of the committees. There is a table on the next page that can serve as a reference for describing your club's committees.



Dues and Membership Categories

As mentioned under the Club Treasurer description, all money raised from the public must be used for service projects and community needs. As a result, Lions Clubs charge dues to its members to pay for administrative expenses.

Each club establishes its own annual dues amount to cover the administrative costs to provide resources to the Lions Clubs and its members:

- International Dues Currently \$39.00 per year (see below for exceptions)
- State of Tennessee Dues Currently \$4.60 per year
- District 12-N Dues Currently \$16.00 per year
- Club Dues Depends on operational expenses of each club
- Club Meal Cost _____ My Club Dues
 Either included in dues or paid personally at each meeting
 _____ My Club Meal Cost

There are a few special membership categories in which International dues are billed to the club at a reduced rate. These include:

- **Family Membership** – After the first adult family member paying full International dues, additional adult family members living at the same address pay half International dues. (\$19.50 per year)
- **Student Membership** – Students enrolled in an educational institution and between the ages of 18 through 30 pay half International dues (\$19.50 per year) and are exempt from entrance fees when they join a Lions Club.

Club Secretaries should ensure the appropriate paperwork is completed to take advantage of these savings to the club's administrative expenses through the International dues billing. There is currently no program for reduced dues at the District or State level. Each club is responsible for deciding how to pass these savings on to its members.



DISTRICT

District leadership is guided by the District Governor (DG) and two Vice District Governors (VDGs), who are officers of the international association. The 2nd VDG is elected by delegates from the clubs in the district at the Spring Convention, which is usually held in February or March of each year. After serving as 2nd VDG for a one-year term, the individual is normally elected to the office of 1st VDG the following year and DG the year after that.

The DG and the VDGs assume their respective offices at the close of the international convention, or generally July 1. District clubs are divided into regions, which are further divided into zones. Regions and zones have chairmen (Region Chair is an optional position) who monitor the clubs in their hierarchy. A map of District 12-N and the listing of clubs belonging to each Region and Zone are shown on page 12.

The District Cabinet is the group of Lions who serve as advisors to the DG. The Cabinet is made up of the VDGs, immediate Past District Governor, Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, Global Membership Team (GMT) Chair, Global Leadership Team (GLT) Chair, Region Chairs (if appointed), Zone Chairs, and Activity or Program Chairs.

District by-laws require Cabinet meetings to be held at least once per quarter. The 2011-2012 District 12-N Cabinet Officers are shown below. Activity and Program Chairmen are provided on the following page.

District 12-N Cabinet

Lions Year: 2011-2012

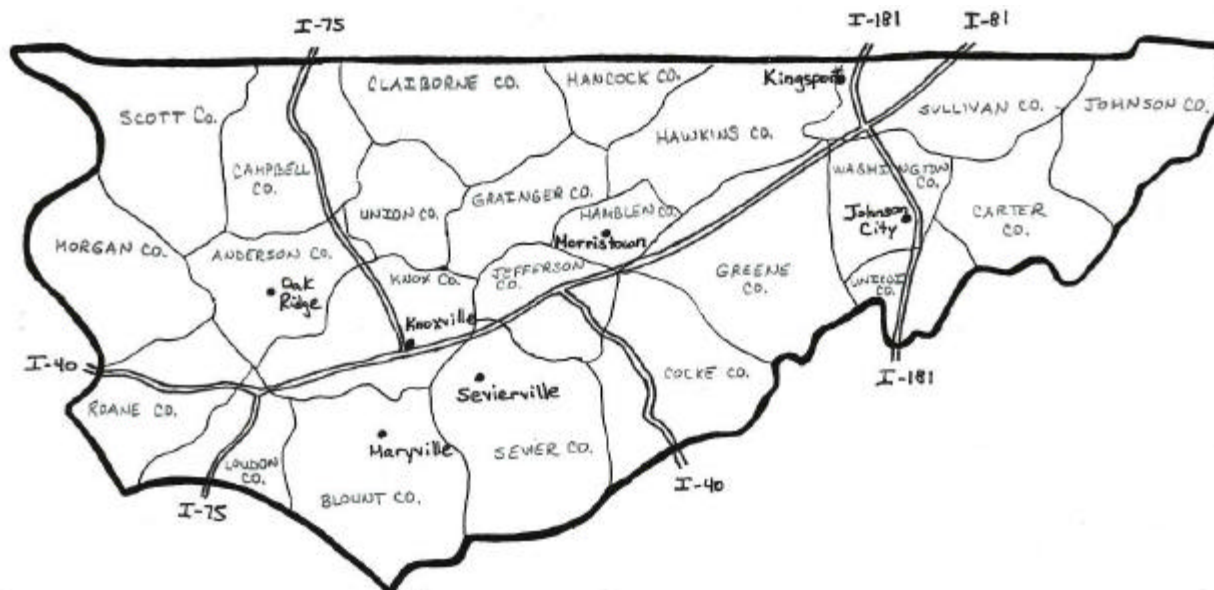
District Governor	Chuck Bailey
1 st Vice District Governor	Diane Wilkerson
2 nd Vice District Governor	Mike McDonough
Cabinet Secretary	Paulette Bailey
Cabinet Treasurer	PDG J.W. (Jim) McFarland
Immediate Past District Governor	PDG William (Bill) McDonald
Global Leadership Team Chair	PCC Nancy Hall
Global Membership Team Chair	PDG Clare Crawford
Region Chair	VDG Mike McDonough
Region I	Zone I Chair Lion George Winton
	Zone II Chair Lion Edna Longwell
Region II	Zone I Chair Lion Michael Dorton
	Zone II Chair Lion Johnny Walker
Region III	Zone I Chair Lion John Black
	Zone II Chair PDG Steve & Lion Sylvia Lewis
	Zone III Chair Lion Vicky Dobson
Region IV	Zone I Chair Lion Sandra Thaler
	Zone II Chair



<i>DISTRICT PROGRAM/ACTIVITY</i>	<i>CONTACT NAME</i>
Audit	PID Bill Watkins
Chaplain	PDG Bill McDonald
Constitution & By-Laws	PID Bill Watkins
Contest & Awards (including Peace Poster and Virginia Lindsey)	Shaaron McFarland
Conventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ District ◆ Multiple District/State ◆ International 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Kathy Burrow ◆ PDG Bill Moore ◆ Paulette Bailey
Extension	VDG Diane Wilkerson
Eyeglasses Recycling	Harry Ennis
Hearing Aids	Nellie Harshbarger
Honorary Committee	PDG Bill McDonald
KidSight Outreach	PDG Jim McFarland (District Coordinator) Area Coordinators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Area 1 - Nikki Kapolka ◆ Area 2 – John Hicks ◆ Area 3 – Richard Walker ◆ Area 4 – J.V. Britton
LCIF and Melvin Jones Fellows	Ron Riehn
Leo Clubs	
Lions District 12-N Charities, Inc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Diabetes Awareness ◆ Direct Braille Slate ◆ East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank ◆ Leader Dogs for the Blind ◆ Lions Quest ◆ Lions Volunteer Blind Industries ◆ Lions World Services for the Blind ◆ Learning Ally (previously Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic) ◆ Tennessee School for the Blind ◆ Tennessee School for the Deaf 	Doug Haseltine, Board President <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PDG Bill McDonald ◆ Larry Hawk ◆ PDG Jim McFarland, Board President ◆ Pennie Williams ◆ Vivian Howell ◆ PCC Nancy Hall, Board President ◆ PDG Carl McDaniel ◆ Bob Smallridge ◆ Oliver Lang
Long Range Planning	PDG Clare Crawford
Nominating Committee	PDG Bill McDonald
News & Views Editor	Bobby Harrington
Orientation	PDG Wendy Cain
Remote Area Medical	PDG Dave Crawford
Retention	VDG Mike McDonough
Tail Twister	PCC Dean Harshbarger
Trading Pins	Art Lewis
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum	Paulette Bailey
Walk for Sight - Knox Area	PDG Jim McFarland
Web Master	PDG Wendy Cain
White Cane	VDG Mike McDonough



DISTRICT 12-N MAP



Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV
<p><u>Zone I</u> Elizabethton Johnson City Johnson County</p> <p><u>Zone II</u> Bulls Gap East Hawkins County Greeneville Kingsport Rogersville</p>	<p><u>Zone I</u> Dandridge Newport Rutledge White Pine</p> <p><u>Zone II</u> Hamblen County Morristown Morristown Cherokee Morristown Morris Blvd. New Tazewell</p>	<p><u>Zone I</u> Fountain City Inskip Karns Knox (County) North Powell</p> <p><u>Zone II</u> Campbell County Clinton Halls Community Lake City Norris Oneida Union County</p> <p><u>Zone III</u> Knoxville Tri-County Maryville Sevierville</p>	<p><u>Zone I</u> Coalfield Harriman Kingston Morgan Co. Central Oak Ridge</p> <p><u>Zone II</u> Farragut Lenoir City Loudon Tellico Village West Knox</p>

Leo Clubs:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anderson Co. HS Leo Christian Academy of Knoxville Leo Fort Loudon MS Leo Jefferson Co. HS Leo Lenoir City HS Leo Lenoir City MS Leo | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loudon HS Leo North MS Leo Northwest MS Ranger Leo Philadelphia Elementary Leo Pigeon Forge HS Leo West Side Leo |
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White Cane Project

District 12-N has established *Lions District 12-N Charities, Inc.*, a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization to distribute funds to ten local and national non-profit agencies, ultimately benefiting hundreds of Tennesseans. These agencies, supported cooperatively by all of the Lions Clubs in District 12-N, are collectively referred to as the White Cane Project.

For one month each year, usually in October, district clubs participate in White Cane Days, the primary fundraising effort that supports the White Cane Project. Each of the agencies are available to all persons in need of their services; a description of the agencies can be found on pages 14 and 15.

A Day with the Lions and Walk for Sight

A Day with the Lions is an annual district fundraising event to supplement the funds raised during White Cane Days. The event is a unique fundraiser that includes the Walk for Sight. In addition to raising money to help support sight conservation activities, the Walk also raises awareness of the difficulties visually impaired persons face by walking in every day places. Interested participants have the opportunity to walk a path in pairs while one individual is blindfolded. Instruction is provided by qualified trainers in the best way to lead the blindfolded walker to avoid obstructions in both the path and the overhead space. This provides both valuable training and a worthwhile experience.

The first event, at the time called the *Walk of the Blind*, was held in Knoxville in September 1996. Other local walks occurred in the Morristown/Lakeway Area and Elizabethton.

In the past, the Knoxville Area Walk has included other activities such as a car show, health fair, bicycle ride, craft fair.





White Cane Agencies

Diabetes Awareness

Diabetes is the number one cause of preventable blindness in the United States. Diabetes Awareness is a program designed to bring awareness of diabetes early detection and treatment. Those who suffer from diabetes are susceptible to blindness, heart disease, kidney failure, and stroke.

Direct Braille Slate

Larry Hawk
1663 Cattleman's Drive
Lenoir City, TN 37771

The Direct Braille Slate is a Braille Slate, developed by a Lion, that allows Braille to be written from left to right. Previous Braille Slates require the user to basically learn two alphabets, as Braille had to be written backwards and from right to left. Over **2,125** slates have been shipped world-wide mainly to third world countries.

East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank

1924 Alcoa Highway, #U-26
Knoxville, TN 37920
(865) 305-9625
<http://www.kornnet.org/eyebank/>

East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank in Knoxville is part of the University of Tennessee Hospital. It is the major clearinghouse between persons donating their eyes after death and the recipient of a corneal transplant. During calendar year 2010, 460 corneal transplants were performed and additional corneas were used for education and research.

Leader Dogs for the Blind

P.O. Box 5000
Rochester, MI 48308
(888) 777-5332
<http://www.leaderdog.org/>

Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, Michigan provides guide dogs for the blind at NO charge. An approved recipient to receive a Leader Dog will travel to Rochester for an orientation and training program. Many Lions Clubs will help provide transportation to Leader Dog when help is needed. Expert trainers work for two months with each potential guide dog, and then the blind recipient lives in a special dormitory for one month to learn how to work with the dog. Approximately 270 students a year are trained to be teamed with a Leader Dog. In addition, several families in District 12-N have opened their home to raising puppies during their first year of basic training and socialization.

Learning Ally

205 Badger Road
Oak Ridge, TN 37830-6216
(865) 482-3496
<http://www.learningally.org/Locations/Oak-Ridge-Studio/441/>

Learning Ally, formerly known as Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic (RFB&D) in Oak Ridge is part of a national network of 20 recording studios, and the only studio in Tennessee. Recording is done by volunteers, and are free, on loan, to registered visually and print impaired borrowers. During the 2010-2011 fiscal year, 6,500 hours of text and 326 books were recorded. Approximately 5,000 Tennesseans received books or other material from Learning Ally.



Lions Quest

Lions Clubs International Foundation
300 W. 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842
(630) 571-5466
<http://www.lions-quest.org/>

Lions Quest is a program of the Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lions Quest programs are comprehensive, positive youth development and prevention curricula that help cultivate capable and healthy young people of strong character. Lions Quest K-12 programs teach essential life skills that support character development, social and emotional learning, civic values, substance and violence prevention, and service-learning.

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries

758 W. Morris Blvd.
Morristown, TN 37815
(423) 586-3922
<http://www.volblind.org/>

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries (LVBI) and its rehabilitation center, Opportunity East, are managed by the Lions of District 12-N through the Board of Directors. LVBI employs approximately 80 blind and visually impaired workers and additional severely disabled workers at two manufacturing sites (Morristown and Johnson City), where workers can earn competitive wages and make quality products for sale to commercial, state, and federal markets. LVBI also provides mobility and rehabilitation services.

Lions World Services for the Blind

2811 Fair Park Blvd.
Little Rock, AR 72204
(501) 644-7100
<http://www.lwsb.org/>

Lions World Services for the Blind (LWSB) in Little Rock, Arkansas is a comprehensive rehabilitation center for blind adults that provides counseling for emotional and psychological adjustment to blindness, training in independent living and mobility skills and provides 13 vocational programs. The average enrollment is 60 trainees and the average training lasts 6 months. Lions Clubs support LWSB operations, and individuals rarely pay for training.

Tennessee School for the Blind

115 Stewarts Ferry Pike
Nashville, TN 37214
(614) 231-7300
<http://www.friendsoftsb.org/>

Tennessee School for the Blind near Nashville is a state-operated school for visually impaired children that provides educational opportunities through the twelfth grade. Current enrollment is about 180 students. Funds from Lions go through the Friends of Tennessee School for the Blind.

Tennessee School for the Deaf

2725 Island Home Blvd.
Knoxville, TN 37920
(865) 594-6022
<http://tsdeaf.org/>

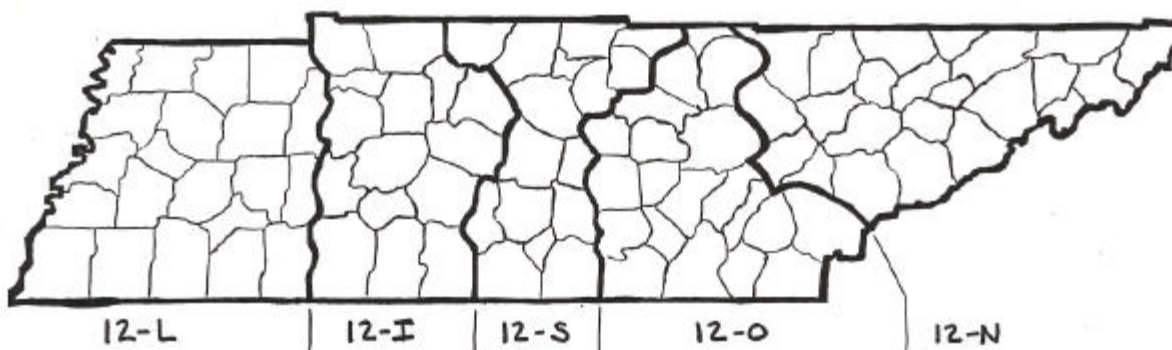
Tennessee School for the Deaf in Knoxville is a state-operated school that provides an educational program for children with a hearing impairment such that they cannot function in their local school system. Current enrollment is about 200 students. Funds from District 12-N Lions are used to assist students who need hearing devices, medicine, eye glasses, shoes, clothing, and other personal items. Funds are also used to support three summer camp programs for high school, middle school, and special needs students.



MULTIPLE DISTRICT

Districts are usually organized along national, state or provincial borders. Where warranted by the number of clubs and Lions, districts can be broken down into sub-districts. The State of Tennessee is a Multiple District, and the information below depicts the growth of Lionism in Tennessee from a single district into the five sub-districts that presently operate. A sub-district is to have a minimum of 35 clubs and 1,250 members.

1918-19 to 1940-41	One District	Single District 12
1941-42 to 1946-47	Two Districts	12-E and 12-W
1947-48 to 1954-55	Three Districts	12-E, 12-M and 12-W
1955-56 to 1985-86	Four Districts	12-L, 12-I, 12-O and 12-N
1986-87 to present	Five Districts	12-L, 12-I, 12-O, 12-N and 12-S



Multiple district leadership is guided by the Council of Governors. The Council is made up of the five sitting District Governors, and a chairman who is elected from the immediate Past District Governors (PDG).

Who's Who in Tennessee Lions Leadership

Past International Presidents

Austin P. Jennings, 1988-1989
Edward M. Lindsey*, 1966-1967
Clifford Pierce*, 1946-1947

Current International Director

Bob Corlew, 2011-2013

Past International Directors

William (Bill) Watkins, 2007-2009
W. Allen Broughton, 2000-2002
Billy C. Pearson, 1996-1998
Carl E. Bledsoe*, 1990-1992
John G. Justice, 1982-1984
Herbert B. Diggs*, 1972-1974
Joseph W. Lawson*, 1967-1969
Chester P. Webb*, 1953-1955
James A. Sherrill*, 1948-1950

*deceased



District program chairpersons serve as representatives on state committees. A state, or multiple district, convention is held each year, usually in May. Multiple District (MD) 12, which is the entire state of Tennessee, has established *Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc.*, a 501 (c)(3) public benefit foundation organized for the purpose of collecting and distributing charitable funds for charitable projects of MD-12.

The Lions of Tennessee, Multiple District 12 have teamed up with the Department of Ophthalmology at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, committed to a goal of providing quality eye care for children statewide.

Lions Clubs across the state committed to raising over \$4 million for an effort named "Operation KidSight". This project created the Tennessee Lions Eye Center (TLEC) at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, a pediatric ophthalmology center. The staff consists of pediatric ophthalmologists and others specially trained to provide quality eye care to infants and children.



From the beginning, an important part of this unique partnership has been the Tennessee Lions Eye Center Outreach Program, the "clinic without walls", a program of free screening of young children in their own neighborhoods, with evaluation and follow-up by professionals at TLEC.

Leading the program are the medical director at TLEC who is responsible for the scientific integrity, and the outreach director who manages implementation of the program. Trained Lions Club volunteers screen children from 12 months up to 72 months of age in their own neighborhoods at nursery schools, day care centers, kindergartens, Head Start and similar programs. The purpose of the screening is to detect eye disorders that can lead to serious eye problems and/or blindness, at an early age when treatment is most effective. The process is very non-invasive which makes it ideal for use with young children.

Lions use an instrument that detects a range of vision disorders. The instrument's readings are attached to parent consent forms and sent to Vanderbilt for evaluation by physicians, after which results are transmitted to the parents. Those screened who have potential eye problems are referred to ophthalmologists or optometrists in their area for a more detailed examination, and TLEC staff follows-up with parents to help ensure those children get care.

The free TLEC Outreach Program has received international recognition, and has been well-received by Tennessee communities from its beginning in June 1997. This service project resulted in approximately 350,000 children being screened by Tennessee Lions through mid-2011, with about 5% of those children being referred for further evaluation.

Lions are fulfilling our mission by helping ensure that all children in Tennessee have good vision to help them meet their dreams!



INTERNATIONAL

Lions Clubs International holds a week-long international convention in late June or early July of each year. This is the annual meeting of the members of the association. Some of the activities held during the convention include voting on constitutional amendments, electing members to the Board of Directors, attending seminars of interest to all Lions, the District Governors-elect seminar, general business sessions, the parade of nations and installation of the District Governors.

International officers and directors act during the fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30.

The International Board of Directors consists of:

International President	1 st Vice President	34 International Directors
	2 nd Vice President	

The International Directors represent every area of the world where Lionism is active, and are elected to a two-year term; approximately half of the positions are elected each year. The only remaining contest among international offices is for 2nd Vice President. The other offices advance one step each year until they are elected (by acclamation) International President.

The International Board of Directors meets four times each year to set policy and monitor the ongoing programs of the association. During interim periods, the Executive Committee (the president, vice presidents and one international director) is authorized to act on the Board's behalf when necessary. All actions of the Executive Committee must be approved by the Board at its next regular meeting.

Lions International supports service programs in almost every imaginable focus area. The international office has resources that are available to clubs and Lions members for little or no charge. Some of these programs are:

Drug Awareness	Health Services
Diabetes Awareness	International Services
Sight Conservation/Work with the Blind	Social Services
Hear and Speech Action/Work with the Deaf	Leo Clubs
Citizenship Services	Lioness Clubs
Educational Services	Youth Exchange
Environmental Services	International Youth Camps
Public Services	Recreational Services

The International Headquarters is located in Oak Brook, Illinois. This facility serves as the association's central administrative and information source.

Eleven operating divisions divide the responsibilities of the International Headquarters: Club Supplies and Distribution, Convention, Information Technology, District and Club Administration, Executive Services, Extension and Membership, Finance, International Activities and Program Development, Leadership, Legal, Public Relations, and Production.



Lions Clubs International Foundation

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the grant-making arm of Lions Clubs International (LCI). Established in 1968, the Foundation's mission is to support the efforts of Lions Clubs around the world in serving their local and global communities by funding humanitarian service projects.

Grants provide both immediate assistance following natural disasters and long-term disaster relief for reconstruction efforts. Grants help preserve sight, combat disability, promote health or serve youth.

LCIF is an efficient and effective charity. Every dollar donated to LCIF goes toward a grant. Lions support is crucial as donations from Lions provide the majority of LCIF's revenue. LCIF receives a small amount of funding from foundations and corporations. It receives no club dues. LCIF is truly Lions helping Lions.

Since the first grant of \$5,000 in 1972 for flooding, LCIF has awarded \$729 million in grants to improve the lives of people worldwide. Often, these are matching grants that double the funds raised by the local club or district.

The association's Immediate Past President is an international officer that serves as chairman of the LCIF Board of Trustees which manages the grant program. LCIF funds *SightFirst*, the Lions' global initiative to fight preventable and reversible blindness worldwide. Other LCIF grant programs are:

- ◆ **Standard** – a program designed to assist Lions in carrying out humanitarian service projects that are beyond the local district's financial capacity.
- ◆ **Emergency** – an immediate-assistance program available to Lions' districts when local natural disasters such as flooding, tornadoes and hurricanes strike.
- ◆ **International Assistance** – the newest LCIF grant program involves Lions in a sponsoring country partnering with Lions in a host country to provide primary health care, food self-sufficiency, environmental protection, literacy and similar projects.
- ◆ **Major Catastrophe** – a grant program established to provide assistance in times of catastrophes of national or international proportions.
- ◆ **Major International Service Program** – a structure that supports the association's major service commitments.

LCIF grants are made possible by contributions received from personal donations from Lions, Lions clubs and districts, corporations and other foundations. The Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) is the backbone of LCIF, providing 70 percent of its revenues. A recognition of humanitarian work, a MJF is given to those who give \$1,000 to LCIF or to people for whom a donation was made by others. Melvin Jones Fellows receive an attractive lapel pin, a plaque and a congratulatory letter.



The Melvin Jones Fellowship Progressive program recognizes people who donate \$1,000 or more or people in whose name a donation has been made, beyond the initial Melvin Jones Fellowship donation of \$1,000.

SightFirst: Lions' Vision for All

Since its inception in 1990, the SightFirst program has played a key role in reducing blindness worldwide. It is only through the collaborative efforts of Lions, our partners, local health authorities, eye care professionals and other non-governmental organizations that SightFirst has been able to help 30 million people have improved or restored vision. SightFirst serves as a leading member of VISION 2020, the global initiative for the elimination of avoidable blindness.

SightFirst's strategy is extraordinarily effective and remarkably efficient. On average, just US\$6 can restore a person's vision or prevent blindness.

Why the World Needs Campaign SightFirst II

SightFirst has been extraordinarily effective but Lions' "Vision for All" has not been realized. The growth and aging of the world's population pose new challenges. Changing patterns of eye disease, barely discernable when SightFirst began, are serious threats to sight world-wide.

- Cataract, a disease closely tied to aging, remains the world's leading cause of blindness.
- Today, more children than ever before suffer from blindness or low vision.
- River blindness and trachoma, which take the sight of millions, can be controlled, but increased global awareness and funding are required.
- Diabetes and glaucoma silently stalk the vision of millions who may not even know that they are at risk.

The SightFirst approach is a three-part strategy to halt and roll-back this onslaught. The goals of Campaign SightFirst II reflect this plan.

- Goal 1 - US\$100 million to contain and eliminate where possible the leading causes of avoidable blindness.
- Goal 2 - US\$50 million to combat emerging threats to sight.
- Goal 3 - US\$50 million as a "challenge goal" to provide "Vision for All" through research, rehabilitation and reaching-out to vulnerable populations.

Lions have done it again! The challenge goal is being met with over \$200 million having been raised for Campaign SightFirst II!

Since 1990, SightFirst has...

- ✓ Prevented serious vision loss for 30 million
- ✓ Provided close to 148 million treatments for river blindness
- ✓ Restored sight through 7.7 million cataract surgeries
- ✓ Improved eye-care services for hundreds of millions
- ✓ Built or expanded 315 eye hospitals, clinics and wards
- ✓ Upgraded over 325 eye centers with equipment
- ✓ Trained more than 300,000 ophthalmologists, ophthalmic nurses, other professional eye-care workers and village health workers



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- ✓ Launched world's first-ever initiative to combat childhood blindness in partnership with the World Health Organization. Thirty-four pediatric eye-care centers have been established or strengthened, an additional 16 centers are to be established.

International Publications

The **Official Directory of Lions Clubs** is published annually that contains a list of all the clubs in the world. The listing includes the name, address and phone number of the club president and the meeting time and place for each club. This directory is also available in the Members Area of the Lions web site.

The Lion magazine is a publication of Lions Clubs International that is sent regularly to every member of the association. The annual subscription price is included in the international dues.

Lions Clubs International Web-Site is located at www.lionsclubs.org. This site contains a wealth of information about the association and its programs. There are also downloadable materials, online Club Supply sales, a club directory, and online report filing.



RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

As a service organization, the success of Lions all across the globe is dependent upon volunteers like you. While we are rewarded many times over for our service with the satisfaction of making a positive contribution in the lives of others, the organization takes great pride in recognizing Lions for certain achievements. A description of a few of these awards follow.

First Lion and Key Awards

Bringing other good men and women into Lions should be one of your primary goals. Members who sponsor new members are recognized in one of the following ways: a First Lion Card for the first Lion sponsored, a letter of recognition for interim members sponsored, or one of eleven Key Awards in multiples culminating with the 500 Member Key. Your Club Secretary can provide additional details.

Perfect Attendance

It is important to attend your Lions Club meetings and you may wish to aim for perfect attendance. Meetings contribute to the ultimate success of your club, form the bonds of fellowship, and carry out the business and activities of the club. If you miss a meeting unavoidably, you can usually make it up by attending another Lions meeting or event. Ask your Club Secretary about the club's specific policies about when meetings must be made up.

Chevrons

Chevrons are "service stripes" that may be attached to your Lions lapel pin. There are two types: CHARTER MONARCH CHEVRONS for charter members who have maintained 10 years of continuous membership; and MONARCH CHEVRONS for Lions who have maintained continuous membership for ten years. Chevrons are then added for each additional five years of continuous membership. Lions can receive credit for years served as a Jaycee, Leo, and Lioness.

Extension

Lions who assist in the organization of a new club are eligible for an Extension Award. The award is given to those Lions - no more than two for each new club - who, in the opinion of the District Governor, have done the most to organize the club.

Multiple District 12 Awards

The following awards are presented on the sub-district level. Honorees then become the sub-district's nomination for the state (multiple-district) award.

- ◆ Lion of the Decade (for the 10-year period ending that year)
- ◆ Lion of the Year
- ◆ Club of the Year



HOW CAN I BE A GOOD LION?

A good Lion is one who is excited about the wonderful services that Lions world-wide provide to those in need. A good Lion is one who is active and enjoys meeting new people and experiencing new situations.

As a new Lion, you might be a little overwhelmed with the organization and our lofty goals. The next two pages will help you learn how you can become involved, and stay involved! The next page contains a checklist of activities that will help you become a better Lion. It is recommended that new members try to complete each of these during their first full year as a Lion. However, **EVERY** Lion can benefit from these guidelines.

The most beneficial thing that you can immediately do as a Lion is to go to your club meetings. The fellowship and informal interaction will help you get to know more about the people you will serve beside. No one is comfortable being a stranger among a group of friends, so don't let this happen to you.

The next thing you should do is learn as much as you can about the association. This workbook provides a brief summary of some of our major initiatives. If there are programs or activities that intrigue or interest you, notify the contact person and get more information. Also, don't be afraid to ask questions!

The most refreshing, but unfortunately underutilized, aspect of being a Lion is being able to see the benefits of your efforts. The most active Lions are those who have taken the opportunity to visit people and organizations supported by our Lions funds and programs. Witnessing the results of your hard work revitalizes you and keeps you exciting about being a Lion.

Take some time to think about your skills, talents, or interests. What do you like to do? What excites you? What would you or can you do to make a difference? Get involved with specific causes or activities that motivate you. If these do not currently exist, make a proposal to add that activity to your club's agenda. Take advantage of the association's programs to develop new skills and leadership abilities – don't be afraid to go for it.

Finally, be proud to be a Lion and wear your lapel pin!



Checklist for New Lions

Complete this Workbook:

- District Cabinet provided
- District Program & Activity Contacts provided
- Club Board of Directors page 6
- Club Committee Contacts page 8
- Breakdown of My Dues Expense page 9

Additional Information Gathering:

- Obtain a phone/address list for all club members from the club secretary
- Read your copies of the *News & Views*, District 12-N's newsletter
- Read your copies of *The Lion* magazine

Club Activities:

- Work on at least one activity committee
- Attend a board of directors meeting for your club
- Participate in a service project
- Participate in a fundraising project

District Activities:

- Tour one or more White Cane agencies (contact information is on pages 14-15)*
- Visit another club's meeting
- Attend a zone meeting
- Attend a Cabinet meeting and/or District Convention

Lions Mentoring Program

In 2002, Lions Clubs International established a Mentoring Program to help every member achieve the goal of better serving his/her community. It is also geared toward helping members realize the potential that their unique skills and knowledge offer, and toward gaining the confidence and abilities to assume leadership roles within their clubs and the association. The Lions Mentoring Program is divided into four levels, each composed of specific goals that need to be reached within a defined time. At each level, the Protégé Lion is challenged to increase his/her knowledge, level of commitment and leadership skills, under the guidance of an appropriate, experienced, Mentoring Lion.

- Review the 4 levels of the Lions Mentoring Program (pages 28-31)
- Complete the paperwork for Level 1 and submit to your Club Secretary. By completing this orientation, you have met the requirements for Level 1. Your sponsoring Lion or another qualified Lion can be your Mentoring Lion.

* This may be difficult if you work 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the week, but please make an attempt. What you will see and learn will be valuable to you as you participate in Lions activities.



LANGUAGE OF LIONS

Commonly used acronyms

CC	Council Chairman
DG	District Governor
DGE	District Governor-Elect
ETLEB	East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank
GLT	Global Leadership Team
GMT	Global Membership Team
ID	International Director
IP	International President
LCI	Lions Clubs International
LCIF	Lions Clubs International Foundation
LLR	Lions Learning Retreat
LVBI	Lions Volunteer Blind Industries
LWSB	Lions World Services for the Blind
PCC	Past Council Chairman
PDG	Past District Governor
PID	Past International Director
PIP	Past International President
RFB&D	Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic
TLC	Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc.
TLEC	Tennessee Lions Eye Center (Vanderbilt Children's Hospital)
TSB	Tennessee School for the Blind
TSD	Tennessee School for the Deaf
VDG	Vice District Governor
VDGE	Vice District Governor-Elect



LIONS-RELATED INTERNET SITES

Lions Clubs International	http://www.lionsclubs.org
LionNet	http://www.lionnet.com/
District 12-N	http://www.tnlions.org/
Tennessee Lions Eye Center	http://www.vanderbiltchildrens.com/interior.php?mid=478
East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank	http://www.kornet.org/eyebank/
Leader Dogs for the Blind	http://www.leaderdog.org/
Learning Ally – Oak Ridge Studio	http://www.learningally.org/Locations/Oak-Ridge-Studio/441/
Lions Clubs International Found.	http://www.lcif.org/
Lions Learning Retreat	http://www.discoveret.org/llr/
Lions Quest	http://www.lions-quest.org/
Lions Volunteer Blind Industries	http://www.volblind.org/
Lions World Services for the Blind	http://www.lwsb.org
Tennessee Lions	http://www.discoveret.org/lionsmd12/
Tennessee School for the Blind (Friends of)	http://www.friendsoftsb.org/
Tennessee School for the Deaf	http://tsdeaf.org/



TEXT OF 1925 SPEECH BY HELEN KELLER TO LIONS

Invited to address the 1925 International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, Helen Keller pointed Lions in a direction that would change the lives of millions.

(For presentation purposes) I ask that you close your eyes to contemplate the darkness as you hear her words:

“Try to imagine how you would feel if you were suddenly stricken blind today. Picture yourself stumbling and groping at noonday as in night, your work, your independence, gone. In that dark world, wouldn’t you be glad if a friend took you by the hand and said, ‘Come with me and I will teach you how to do some of the things you used to do when you could see?’

You have heard how through a little word dropped from the fingers of another, a ray of light from another soul touched the darkness of my mind and I found myself, found the world, found God. It is because my teacher learned about me and broke through the dark, silent imprisonment which held me that I am able to work for myself and for others. It is the caring we want more than money. The gift without the sympathy and interest of the giver is empty. If you care, if we can make the people of this great country care, the blind will indeed triumph over blindness.

“Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind children untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?”

The Lions responded and are now best known for our sight-related programs!



LIONS MENTORING PROGRAM LEVEL ONE: RESPONSIBILITY

Protégé Lion _____ Join Date _____

Mentoring Lion _____ LEVEL ONE Completion Date _____

Club Name _____ Club Number _____ District _____

The following goals for LEVEL ONE: RESPONSIBILITY of the Lions Mentoring Program have been successfully attained by the Protégé Lion with the guidance of the Mentoring Lion:

Comprehensive Knowledge of the Club

- History of the club
- Organizational structure
- Service and fund-raising activities
- Meaning and responsibilities of membership
- Club leadership
- Club communications

Comprehensive Knowledge of the District and Multiple District

- History of Lions in the district, multiple district, country
- Organizational structure
- Size and practices
- District leadership
- Programs and activities
- District communications

Comprehensive Knowledge of Lions Clubs International

- Who are the Lions
- History
- Origin of name "Lions"
- Colors and logo
- Traditions
- Organizational structure
- Leadership
- International Constitution and By-Laws
- Objects and Code of Ethics
- International fellowship
- International headquarters operations
- International Convention
- Service and information
- Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)
- Leo Club Program
- Lions Clubs International communications

We certify that the LEVEL ONE: RESPONSIBILITY goals listed above have been attained within three months of the Protégé Lion's join date, and that the Protégé Lion is qualified to progress to LEVEL TWO: RELATIONSHIPS of the Lions Mentoring Program.

Protégé Lion _____ Club President _____

Mentoring Lion _____ Club Secretary _____

This form is to be retained by the Club Secretary

- I would like to be a Protégé Lion and request a Mentor Lion to guide me in completing the goals of Level One.
- I have met all the requirements of Level One and would be willing to be a Mentor Lion for others working to attain the goals of Level One.



LIONS MENTORING PROGRAM LEVEL TWO: RELATIONSHIPS

Protégé Lion _____ Join Date _____

Mentoring Lion _____ LEVEL TWO Completion Date _____

Club Name _____ Club Number _____ District _____

The following goals for LEVEL TWO: RELATIONSHIPS of the Lions Mentoring Program have been successfully attained by the Protégé Lion with the guidance of the Mentoring Lion and both qualify for the Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Awards:

- Attend a club board meeting
- Participate in a club service or fund-raising activity
- Introduce a new prospective member to the club
- Make a visit to another club and secure a visitation slip
- Attend a zone, region, district, multiple district or international convention; report back to the club

We certify that the LEVEL TWO: RELATIONSHIPS goals listed above have been attained within the specified six (6) month period, and that the Protégé Lion is qualified to progress to LEVEL THREE: RESULTS of the Lions Mentoring Program.

Protégé Lion _____ Club President _____

Mentoring Lion _____ Club Secretary _____

This form is to be retained by the Club Secretary

To obtain lapel pins for the Lions listed, send a completed copy of this form to:

Lions Clubs International, Membership Operations Department
300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842
Or FAX the form to 630-571-1691

Please send lapel pins for Proud Lion and Proud Sponsor to:

Club Secretary Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

- I would like to be a Protégé Lion and request a Mentor Lion to guide me in completing the goals of Level Two.
- I have met all the requirements of Level Two and would be willing to be a Mentor Lion for others working to attain the goals of Level One or Level Two.



LIONS MENTORING PROGRAM LEVEL THREE: RESULTS

Protégé Lion _____ Join Date _____

Mentoring Lion _____ LEVEL THREE Completion Date _____

Club Name _____ Club Number _____ District _____

The following goals for LEVEL THREE: RESULTS of the Lions Mentoring Program have been successfully attained by the Protégé Lion with the guidance of the Mentoring Lion and qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement:

Thoroughly Understand Club Activities and Goals

- What are your club's major service activities
- How many people benefit from your club's services each year
- What are your community's needs
- How does your club meet those needs
- What programs and projects is your club currently developing
- What needs will these projects meet

Understand Your Committee Assignment

- What is your committee assignment
- What are your committee's goals for the year (July 1-June 30)
- How often does your committee meet
- What activities will your committee conduct this year (July 1-June 30)

Participate in Service and Club Activities

- Assume an active role in at least two (2) service activities
- Chair or co-chair a club committee for at least one year
- Conduct a community needs assessment; use the Community Needs Assessment form (MK-9) if appropriate
- Develop a club service project, or review and give a written assessment of an existing club service club project. Present this idea to your club's leadership.
- Attend a club board meeting
- Attend a zone or region meeting and district cabinet meeting
- Attend a district, multiple district or international convention
- Sponsor at least one new member

We certify that the LEVEL THREE: RESULTS goals listed above have been attained within the specified 1-3 year period and that the Protégé Lion is qualified to progress to LEVEL FOUR: REPLICATION of the Lions Mentoring Program.

Protégé Lion _____ Club President _____

Mentoring Lion _____ Club Secretary _____

This form is to be retained by the Club Secretary

To obtain certificates of achievement for the Lions listed, send a completed copy of this form to:

*Lions Clubs International, Membership Operations Department
300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842
Or FAX the form to 630-571-1691*

Please send Lions Mentoring Program Level Three: Results certificates to:

Club Secretary Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

- I would like to be a Protégé Lion and request a Mentor Lion to guide me in completing the goals of Level Three.
- I have met all the requirements of Level Three and would be willing to be a Mentor Lion for others working to attain the goals of Level One, Level Two, or Level Three.



LIONS MENTORING PROGRAM LEVEL FOUR: REPLICATION

Protégé Lion _____ Join Date _____

Mentoring Lion _____ LEVEL FOUR Completion Date _____

Club Name _____ Club Number _____ District _____

The following goals for LEVEL FOUR: REPLICATION of the Lions Mentoring Program have been successfully attained by the Protégé Lion with the guidance of the Mentoring Lion:

Level 4: Replication

- Held office of Club President from July 1, ____ to June 30, ____
- Obtained an advanced Membership Key for ____ new members
- Gave at least one orientation briefing to new club members.
- Participated in club extension by forming (or assist with forming) one of the following: a new club, Club Branch, New Century Lions Club, Campus Club, Leo Club, Lioness Lions Club, or other club type (Please circle your achievements)
- Attended constitutional area Leadership Forum or Senior Lions Leadership Institute or International Convention.

We certify that the LEVEL FOUR: REPLICATION goals listed above have been attained and that the Protégé Lion has successfully completed all levels of the Lions Mentoring Program.

Protégé Lion _____ Club President _____

Mentoring Lion _____ Club Secretary _____

This form is to be retained by the Club Secretary

To obtain Level Four: Replication lapel pins and certificates of achievement for the Lions listed, send a completed copy of this form to:

*Lions Clubs International, Membership Operations Department
300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842
Or FAX the form to 630-571-1691*

Please send Mentoring Lion and Protégé Lion Level Four: Replication lapel pins and certificates to:

Club Secretary Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

- I would like to be a Protégé Lion and request a Mentor Lion to guide me in completing the goals of Level Four.
- I have met all the requirements of Level Four and would be willing to be a Mentor Lion for others working to attain the goals of Level One, Level Two, Level Three, or Level Four.