

# Collection Boxes

Collection boxes can often be found at the following places:

- Libraries
- Local Schools
- Banks
- Doctors' Offices

We offer three box sizes: Sm 10x5.5x12  
Med 10x10x12 and Lg. 15x15x30  
The Foundation office accepts donations  
M-F 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.



# Why the Lions Help

The Lions of Illinois Foundation is a nonprofit organization with members throughout the state of Illinois. Since 1925, the Lions have taken the challenge given to them by Helen Keller. Addressing the Lions at their convention she urged them to become:

**“Knights of the Blind in the Crusade Against Blindness.”**



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**Lions of Illinois Foundation**



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**Lions of Illinois Foundation**

*Serving People with Vision and Hearing Needs Since 1974.*

# Used Eyeglass Collection



***Help give the gift of sight to individuals around the world.***

## Why Collect Used Eyeglasses?



*Two children from Swaziland, Africa sporting pairs of sunglasses from the Lions after receiving a complete eye exam.*

Since 1994 the Lions of Illinois Foundation has distributed more than 5,000,000 pairs of graded, used eyeglasses, free of any charges, to people around the world.

If you or someone you know wears glasses, you know how important they are to daily life. Now imagine not being able to afford glasses.

## How You Can Help

Simply ask your family, friends and neighbors if they have any old pairs of eyeglasses to donate. The program can use sunglasses, telescopic, magnifying, and prescription eyeglasses. Eyeglass cases cannot be redistributed due to sanitary issues and health guidelines. Glasses and sunglasses can have plastic or metal frames and can be of any style.



Throughout the year, Lions and other volunteers collect used eyeglasses and deliver them to LIF where volunteers sort the recycled glasses. The glasses are then sent to a Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (LERC). Volunteers then clean, sort by prescription strength, and package the glasses.

Recycled glasses are then distributed to people in need in lower-income countries. Doctors of optometry, vision technicians, and volunteers screen individuals to determine the eyewear they need.

## Donation Form

**Please detach and return with your donation so that the Foundation may recognize your generosity.**

# of eyeglasses \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club and District \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**The Foundation and  
those we serve  
Thank You!**