

## Vision Statement

The Vision of the Lions of Illinois Foundation is to create a permanent vehicle for the delivery of programs and services to people with vision and hearing needs.

## Mission Statement

The Lions of Illinois Foundation exists to assist in the general improvement of the quality of life of those in Illinois having unmet needs. It is the specific mission of the Foundation to provide quality programs and services to the people of Illinois for the detection, treatment, and rehabilitation of visual and hearing impairments. The Foundation, solely, or in conjunction with the Lions/Lioness Clubs, Foundations, and other organizations, shall provide its assistance through grant processes or delivered through direct or indirect programs and services.

## Monetary Support

The Lions of Illinois Foundation is funded mainly by club contributions from Candy Day, Sight and Sound Sweepstakes, Tootsie Pop Day, Gift Card Campaign, Annual Gala, Car Show and BBQ.

The Foundation led the campaign to raise \$5 million to finance construction of the Lions of Illinois Eye Research Institute (L.I.E.R.I.) in Chicago, as well as the campaign to raise \$1.1 million to finance the Charles I. Young Professional Chair.



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

# Social Services



***Find out how the Lions of Illinois Foundation works with your local Lions Clubs to provide you with the services you need.***

## About

The Lions of Illinois Foundation's Social Service Program is designed to assist lower income families/individuals throughout the state of Illinois who have visual or hearing impairments. Requirements and types of assistance may vary from club to club.



## Assistance Offered

- Eye Exams/Evaluations
- Eye Glasses
- Hearing Test/Audiogram - 18 & older
- Reconditioned BTE Hearing Aids - 18 & older

## Most Commonly Reviewed Factors for Eligibility

- Funds available from your local Lions Club
- Applicant's income level
- Qualifications through a state agency

## Application

Please go online to find an application:

**[www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org](http://www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org)**

Under Programs and Services, click Social Services. Fill out the form, save it, and e-mail it to [office@lifnd.org](mailto:office@lifnd.org)

Please contact the Lions of Illinois Foundation office at 815-756-5633 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday to ask for an application to be mailed to you.



*Pearle Vision is LIF's partner in fulfilling the need for glasses.*

## Requesting Assistance

The procedure for requesting assistance is as follows:

1. Complete the application and mail it to the Foundation office.
2. After the application is received, it is then forwarded to the local Lions Club that serves your community.
3. Your local Lions Club will contact you to review your application.
4. If your request for an eye exam and glasses /or a hearing test (audiogram) and reconditioned hearing aid is approved, your local Lions Club will notify you and tell you where to go for services.
5. The Lions of Illinois Foundation and your local Lions Club provide you with these social services and assistance through our participating clinics.