

Lions Share

Serving People with Vision and Hearing Needs Since 1974

The Official Newsletter of the Lions of Illinois Foundation

2nd Semester is Underway! Help Us Reach Our Goal to Serve 300 Students in Illinois with Low Vision.



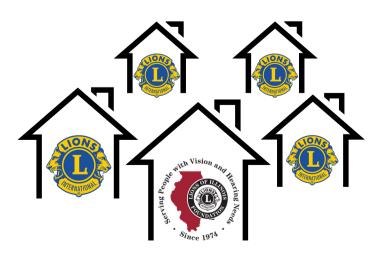








For a donation of just **\$290** a child receives over \$1,000 dollars worth of services which includes: a comprehensive visual exam, telescopic eye glasses, prescribed optical tools, and devices. In addition, the team assists each child as they address their daily challenges of growing up with vision loss.



Our Student Low-Vision Partners have been working tirelessly alongside the Lions of Illinois Foundation and Lions Clubs throughout Illinois to bring hope to children with Low-Vision through this program.







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Environmental Impact Report • Total Bags of Sneakers: 382 • LBS. Sneakers Displaced: 10,464

• LBS. Carbon Dioxide Displaced: 142,766

• GALS. Water Saved: 10,740,741

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Upcoming Events



February 22, 2025

Board of Trustees Meeting East Peoria, IL



March 1, 2025

Diabetes Awareness Campaign Begins



March 5, 2025

2nd Early Bird Drawing **Sight & Sound Sweepstakes**



LIF Calendar of Upcoming Events

February 5, 2025

1st Early Bird Drawing Sight and Sound Sweepstakes

February 22, 2025

Board of Trustees Meeting Embassy Suites, East Peoria, IL

March 1, 2025

Mobile Unit-Begins Health Fair Circuit

<u>March 1 - May 31, 2025</u>

Diabetes Awareness Campaign

March 5, 2025

2nd Early Bird Drawing Sight and Sound Sweepstakes

March 24-25, 2025

Jacksonville Low Vision Clinic

April 2, 2025

3rd/FINAL Early Bird Drawing Sight and Sound Sweepstakes

May 2-4, 2025

State Convention/Board Meeting - Friday Annual Breakfast - Sweepstakes Drawing Crown Plaza, Springfield, IL

May 3-4, 2025

Tootsie Pop Day

June 27, 2025

Camp Lions Deaf Awareness Night Kane County Cougars, Geneva, IL

<u>July 12, 2025</u>

Board of Trustees Meeting The Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, IL

July 31, 2025

Camp Lions Deaf Awareness Night Gateway Grizzlies, Sauget, IL

<u>August 2, 2025</u>

31st Annual Charity Golf Classic Senica's Oak Ridge Golf Club, La Salle, IL

<u>September 13, 2025</u>

LIF 7th Annual "Roar-in" Car Show 70 S Llanos St., Cortland, IL

October 10-11, 2025

Lions Candy Day



Please add LIFoffice@lifnd.org to your E-Mail contact list to receive important information from your Foundation!



SAVE ON SHIPPING COSTS!

Tootsie Pops & Sugar Free Drops
can be picked up at LIF or from your DG or Trustee

If your Club places an order for Tootsie Pops and/or Sugar Free Drops, LIF can bring your order to an upcoming meeting or district convention to save your club on shipping costs.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Council of Governors Meeting - February 14-15, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting - February 22, 2025

UPCOMING DISTRICT CONVENTIONS:

District 1-F - March 14-15, 2025

District 1-G - March 21-22, 2025

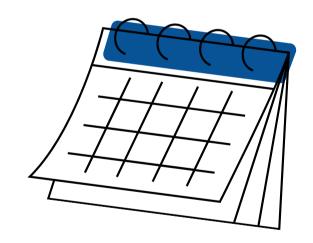
District 1-A - March 21-23, 2025

District 1-H - March 28-29, 2025

District 1-D - April 4-5, 2025

District 1- J - April 4-5, 2025

District 1-BK - April 11-12, 2025



PLEASE PLAN AHEAD!

Place your order soon. If you would like to pick up your Tootsie Pops/Sugar Free Drops at any of the above events, contact Dianne Ortega: <u>dortega@lifnd.org</u> to allow LIF enough time to prepare your order. If a member of your club cannot pickup your order from one of these events, arrangements must be made ahead of time with LIF AND your District Governor or District Trustee if your club wishes to save on shipping costs.

NEW SUGAR FREE CANDY



Our *new* SUGAR FREE Drops are *Aspartame Free* and Oh So Delicious!

Flavors - Blue Raspberry, Cherry, Strawberry, Lemon, Pineapple



Quantities are Limited.
Place your Order Today!

Available *NOW* in Large or Small Cases (assorted flavors)

Small case (~5.5 lbs. Sugar Free Drops): \$50.00

Approx: 550 Drops by weight

Large Case (~11 lbs. Sugar Free Drops): \$95.00

Approx: 1,100 Drops by weight

Costs Do Not Include Shipping

Note: These Drops are replacing Sugar-Free Suckers which are NO LONGER available

Sugar Free Drops are sweetened with isomalt.

Isomalt is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a non-cariogenic sweetener, meaning it doesn't contribute to tooth decay. Isomalt is used primarily for its sugar-like physical properties. It has little to no impact on blood sugar levels, and does not stimulate the release of insulin.



LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION

DIABETES AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Candy & Supply Order Form

NEW SUGAR-FREE CANDY & PRICES

Campaign Runs From March 1 - May 31, 2025

DON'T IGNORE DIABETES

The Goal is to Revitalize the Campaign and to Increase the Awareness and Importance of Prevention and Early Detection of Diabetes.

Club is Responsible for any Shipping Costs of Candy

No, our Club,	is unable to participate but enclosed is our				
contribution of \$to Th	e Lions of Illinois Founda	tion Diabetes	Awareness	s Campaign.	
☐ Yes, our Club,	of Dist	rict	Club #		
will participate in Diabetes Awareness Activ	ities on			(date).	
MATERIALS ORDER FORM – PLEASE COMPLETE (Supplies will ship two weeks before the date listed above)					
Small case (~5.5 lbs. Sugar Free Drops): Approx: 550 Drops by weight	: \$50.00 Large C		ugar Free D 100 Drops by v		
Jug labels	Risk strips neede	d (100 per pa	ackage)		
Contact Person:					
Address:					
(For PO Box Address, include street address for UPS/USPS Shipping)					
City:	ST:	Zip:			
Email:					
Phone:					

Please make your check
payable to: LIF
For Credit Card Payments
visit us at:
LionsofillinoisFoundation.org
or phone us at 815-756-5633

For Questions or Additional Supplies/Information Please Contact Dianne Ortega:

<u>dortegaelifnd.org</u>
(815) 756-5633 x 250

Submit Completed Form to:

Lions of Illinois Foundation 700 N Peace Road, Suite B DeKalb, IL 60115

Thank You for Your Participation

LIF Diabetes Awareness Campaign

March 1st to May 31st

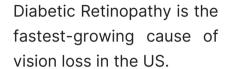
Did you know...



The number of people with Macular Degeneration is expected to double in the next 10 years.



Glaucoma is expected to increase by 20%



Mobile Unit Screenings scheduling opened January 1, 2025 visit our website calendar to view available dates.

https://lionsofillinoisfoundation.org/lions-club-mobile-screenings/

Host Forms and additional information are available online

WHY SPONSOR A HEALTH FAIR?

In today's busy world, people too often disregard the signs and symptoms of an illness or health issue before it becomes a major problem. Sponsoring a Health Fair and making it easy for your local residents to gain information through screenings advisors and education will help them to live longer, healthier lives. It will also provide your Lions Club with valuable, inexpensive, or free exposure in your community and allow smaller clubs to combine efforts into one large annual event.

ESTABLISH OBJECTIVES

Objectives should include the number of participants expected. Should you limit advertising and publicizing of the event to your local community or should you offer it to a wider area? Can you anticipate how many visitors will take part in each activity? How many exhibit booths can you comfortably provide?

THEMES

When it comes to health care, there are many avenues from which to choose a theme. There are months such as Diabetes Awareness, Healthy Vision Month, National Public Health week, World Health Day, Every Kid Healthy Week, Cataract Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Awareness etc. Should the Fair be aimed at all ages or should it be earmarked for the aged, needy, young parents etc. Please go to lionsofillinoisfoundation.org "LIONS CLUB" tab > "Lions Club Resources" to download "Health Fair Guide" This guide will help you create a Health Fair in your community.

Remember a Health Fair can begin with three or more vendors...one being the Lions of Illinois Foundation Mobile Screening Unit. You can establish an annual event and grow your Community Health Fair each year to include more vendors.



DEAF AWARENESS NIGHT

JOIN THE LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION & CAMP LIONS FOR A NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK









"Take me out to the ball game, take me out with the crowd;..."
Please Consider Sponsoring this Exciting Camp Lions Night at the Ballpark!

2 Locations in 2025! The Lions of Illinois Foundation is proud to present Deaf Awareness Night with the Kane County Cougars and the Gateway Grizzlies.

Your \$50 sponsorship helps to offset the cost of bus transportation and ticket (including food/beverage voucher) for each Camper and Camp Counselor from Camp Red Leaf Village in Ingleside and Lake Williamson Center in Carlinville.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025 - 6:30 PM - KANE COUNTY COUGARS BASEBALL Northwestern Medicine Field, Geneva, IL

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2025 - 6:30 PM - GATEWAY GRIZZLIES BASEBALL Grizzlies Ballpark, Sauget, IL



Tickets Are On Sale NOW!

Join Us For One Of These Fun-Filled Nights, Get Your Ticket Today!

** Shaded Seats Are Available This Year **

YES, I WOULD LIKE TO BE A SPONSOR FOR A DONATION OF \$50 OR MORE

Club Name:	District:
Enclosed is a check for the amount of:	Sie with Vision and to
Club Contact	and P. S.
Name:	— Serving
Email:	s _{ince 195} 1.
Address:	

Mail Donation Form To: Lions of Illinois Foundation 700 N Peace Road, Suite B, DeKalb, IL 60115. Please visit our Website or call accounting at 815-756-5633 x351 for credit card donations.

THE LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION PRESENTS DEAF AWARENESS NIGHT

Help our campers enjoy a free night of baseball. 2 LOCATIONS to give more campers the opportunity to have fun at the Ball Park!



FRIDAY, JUNE 27TH - 6:30 PM

NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE FIELD 34W002 CHERRY LANE, GENEVA, IL 60134

COUGARS VS. CHICAGO DOGS



THURSDAY, JULY 31ST - 6:30 PM
GRIZZLIES BALLPARK
2301 GRIZZLIE BEAR BLVD, SAUGET, IL 62206
GRIZZLIES VS. JOLIET SLAMMERS

A \$50 "SEAT AND EAT" SPONSORSHIP INCLUDES:

OR

A BOX SEAT AND FOOD VOUCHER FOR ONE CAMPER AND ONE OF THIER FAMILY MEMBERS

WANT TO JOIN OUR CAMPERS FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AT THE BALLPARK?

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

ALL SPONSORS WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL ACTIVITY SPONSOR PATCH.



LETTER FROM...

Lions of Illinois Foundation Programs Chair, Carol Anderson

My name is Carol Anderson. I've been a Lion for 22 years and have been involved in our Foundation for most of those years. Currently, I am the District 1-G trustee and serve as secretary and chair of our Programs and Services Committee for our Foundation. I would go to meetings with my husband Johnny so I learned so much by just being at Foundation meetings and feeling his passion. The

heartbeat of this organization is our programs and services. This is how we reach out to our communities and offer a helping hand to those who just need a little boost whether it be hearing aids or glasses. I love the hands on this committee offers.

As a child of about 5 or 6, I remember my grandfather asking me what I wanted to be when I grew up. Without hesitation, I told him I wanted to be a nurse. Little did I know that dream would span 45 years or that I would touch thousands of lives. I think one of my first memories of being involved with our Foundation was volunteering as a registered nurse to instill dilation drops in clients eyes with the first glaucoma unit, known affectionately as Blue Bird. I even attended Jacksonville low vision clinic with my husband before I became a Lion. The desire to help others fit perfectly with Lions and I admit I love to help others!!

When I was asked to be programs chair of our Foundation I was thrilled because, it allowed that legacy and my love of helping others to continue. What a privilege and honor to serve in this position and embrace new ideas and to develop and expand existing programs to touch even more lives. I bet you didn't know our foundation focuses on many programs including Camp Lions, Hearing, Mobile Screening Unit, Recycling, Sneaker Recycling Campaign, Social Services and Vision. But let's focus on Vision.

Our Foundation has been involved in serving students with low vision for over 50 years. We help about 300 students now, but most certainly can help and want to help many more. We can't do this without our partners, Center for Sight and Hearing, Chicago Lighthouse, Eversight, Hadley Institute for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Leader Dog for the Blind, Second Sense, Spectrios Institute for Low Vision, the Jacksonville School for the Visually Impaired, and YOU.

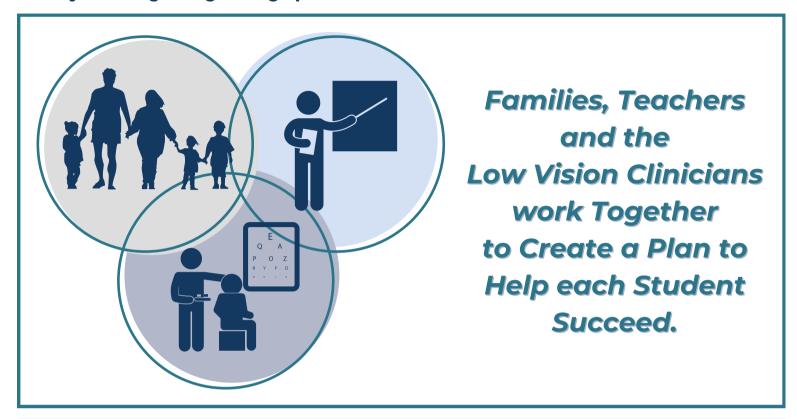
The school year is already about half over and some of those kids still need help so they can actually see to complete their studies and function well in school. Your donation of \$290 helps sponsor one student but does not cover the entire cost of their exam and equipment needed for better vision. I strongly encourage you to visit a student low screening so you get an idea of what really happens. You just might shed a tear as you witness a child being able to see clearly for the first time, or hear a story told by a mom who had thought she had exhausted every source of help for her three children who were all losing their sight until she heard about the Lions Low Vision Clinic at Jacksonville. Her tears spoke volumes of her gratitude because Lions were able to help her children at no cost to her and when no one else could. There are so many stories just like this from parents and teachers who know our story and are so supportive of our services. These kids have the right to be able to complete their studies so they can become productive in society and in their personal lives as well. Won't you help them be successful?

If your children and grandchildren are healthy, you are so very blessed!! I'm sure you would be more than happy to do whatever was needed if your child or grandchild was one of those wonderful low vision students. Your Foundation low vision donation goals are yet to be met. These kids are visually impaired through no fault of their own. We know your hearts are generous and you love to help others because YOU are a Lion and that's what we do.

Currently donations for student low vision are \$25,327 toward our goal of \$101,000 or about 25%. Wouldn't it be amazing if we exceeded our goal? It only takes one dollar at a time, one student at a time. It isn't hard, we just have to do it!! These kids deserve it!!!

Please consider giving generously to our student low vision program so we can help even more students. Personal as well as club donations are welcome and you can donate on line at lionsofillinoisfoundation.org. You'll find the donation button on the right side of the home page. Also, let us know if you are aware of a child who could use our help. We, you, can make a difference one child at a time!! Let's do this for the kids!!!!

For a donation of just \$290 a child receives over \$1,000 worth of services which includes: a comprehensive visual exam, telescopic eyeglasses, prescribed optical tools, and devices. In addition, the team assists each child as they address their daily challenges of growing up with vision loss.



Please Help Us Reach Our Goal by June 30th and Join Us with Your Donation Today!

District	2024-25 Goals		2024-25 Actuals
1-A	\$ 20,000.00	\$	1,442.00
1-BK	\$ 9,000.00	\$	730.00
1-CN	\$ 3,000.00	\$	2,152.00
1-CS	\$ 3,000.00	\$	•
1-D	\$ 5,000.00	\$	290.00
1-F	\$ 7,000.00	\$	•
1-G	\$ 7,000.00	\$	4,200.00
1-H	\$ 6,000.00	\$	•
1-J	\$ 14,000.00	\$	1,760.00
1-M	\$ 10,000.00	\$	12,000.00
Golf Classic	\$ 20,076.00	\$	20,076.00
Private Donations	\$ 17,000.00	\$	2,753.00
TOTAL	\$ 121,076.00	\$	45,403.00

Every District has students that are positively effected by this program.

Let's continue to make a difference in the lives
of those we've pledged to serve! We are Lions, WE SERVE.

Student Low Vision Program



Dear Lions Members & Friends.

The Lions of Illinois Foundation partners with Spectrios Institute for Low Vision, the Illinois College of Optometry, and the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind to provide a FREE comprehensive visual evaluation to Illinois students in grades K-12.

Students are referred by special education staff employed by the Illinois Board of Education. The exams are performed by licensed optometrists that travel to the different screening locations throughout the state.



The LIF "Seeing is Believing" Low Vision Program for Students provides a child who has low vision with the optical tools and training necessary to help prevent further vision loss or even blindness. But more importantly, these are the children we have promised to help by preserving what sight they have left. Their future is in our hands.

In 1991 Lions made a pledge to the children of Illinois.

We Believe that No Child Needs to Face Blindness as their Future.

Please help to preserve that pledge with your donation.

Enclosed is our check/money order to sponsor_		_ student(s) at a cost of \$290 each.
Amount of donation, ¢		
Amount of donation: \$		
Club Name or Individual Donor Name:		
Address:		
City:	State: _	Zip Code:
Contact Phone number: ()	E-Mail:	

Submit Form & Donation to:

Lions of Illinois Foundation 700 N Peace Road, Suite B DeKalb, IL 60115

Please make your check payable to: LIF We also accept credit cards, please call us. Phone: 815-756-5633 Please Join Us With Your Donation Today.



Lionsofillinoisfoundation.org Facebook.com/LIFnd Remember, we are not just asking for a donation, we are asking for the opportunity to provide a student with low vision a chance to excel in school, in society, in job placement and in their future.







SEEING IS BELIEVING

ABOUT

Seeing Is Believing, an in-school outreach program, designed to help K-12 children with low vision in Illinois receive low vision diagnostic services and optical devices free of charge. Exams and devices are funded by grants and donations from the Lions Club.

The low vision aids are often the only means by which students with vision loss can participate in classroom activities. Because the devices belong to the student they are also used for homework and other activities.

During the diagnostic exam, parents, students and teachers receive education about the student's diagnosis and tips to help the student succeed. Parents and students leave feeling encouraged and empowered.



My new tools will help me in school! I love my sports glasses, because now I can play during recess.

DEVICES

Glasses



Specialized high-powered glasses. Often with transitions or tints to help manage glare to improve vision.

Sport Glasses



Glasses that won't break when children play. Some students are afraid to participate in recess and gym because they are worried about breaking their glasses.

Fit-over Tinted Sunglasses



A variety of tinted sunglasses can help students both inside and outside the classroom manage glare and other lighting issues.

Magnifier



This device helps students complete their work. It is small and portable, great to use at home too!

Monocular



Used to spot things on the board. This tool helps students see things in the distance.



Spectrios Institute 219 E. Cole Ave, Wheaton, IL 60187 630-690-7115 Spectrios.org



The Chicago Lighthouse 1850 W. Roosevelt Rd, Chicago, IL 60608 312-666-1331 Chicagolighthouse.org



Illinois College of Optometry 3241 S. Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60616 312-949-7000 ico.edu



Lions of Illinois,

thank you

Eversight's vision for a world without blindness is made possible through the support of Lions across Illinois.

We are so thankful for the work put in by clubs and the foundation to support those experiencing blindness and vision loss.

In 2024, your support helped fulfill the wishes of eye donors and provided **10,204** cornea tissues for sight-saving transplants.



In Illinois, your gift makes an impact through Eversight's ongoing partnership with the Lions of Illinois Foundation (LIF). To increase the value of your donation, we are asking your Club to donate directly to LIF's Birdies for Charity program, noting Eversight in the memo line.

Would you like to learn more?

Contact Lion Marta Garczarczyk, Director of Philanthropy at mgarczarczyk@eversightvision.org.



Engage with our mission at eversightvision.org











Thypy New Year Some LIF Light

Some LIF Light Housekeeping Reminders...





Please be sure to ADD LIFoffice@lifnd.org to your email account. This will ensure you and your Club stays up to date on the latest information from your Lions of Illinois Foundation.



Help us boost our online reputation! Please consider submitting a GOOGLE Review on the Lions of Illinois Foundation. Doing so will increase the online awareness of the many Programs and Services we provide to those with Vision and Hearing Needs.



LIF is proud to continue it's mission to make an impact on the environment through the LIF Recycling Program.

Friendly reminders:







4) Eyeglass Cases and Loose Lenses cannot be recycled, please remove them from your donation.











November and December 2024 Tribute Donations

MEMORIALS

Jim Becker

Anonymous Household

Karen E. Burns

Lake Villa Township LC

Raymond "Beaver" Coatney

Mike Starko

Glenn "Bird" Combs

- Bonfield LC
- Bradley LC
- · Steve & Kathy Ferguson
- Marseilles LC
- Serena LC

Mary Curran

Sandwich LC

Edwin Drafke

Hinckley LC

Lorena Gray

Highland LC

Mindy Grivetti

Braidwood LC

James R Harris

Lake Villa Township LC

Greg Marchewka

Hampshire LC

Mary Michaels

Marseilles LC

Ernie Moon

- Mike & Carol Smigielski
- Willow Springs LC

John Nehrt

- Cathy King
- Prebble LaDage
- Joseph Mazzola

Jerry Page

Willow Springs LC

John "Pickles" Pajkos

- Bradley LC
- Leland LC

Marvin Roehlke

- Lucille Harter
- Brent & Kathy Scholl

Suzanne Sedlacek

Rodney Rice

Charlie Siefert

- Bolingbrook LC
- Bonfield LC
- Bradley LC
- Steve & Kathy Ferguson
- Shelia Perkins
- Rick & Rose Tonozzi
- Ralph & Susan Zarada

Shirley Stecker

Roselle LC

John Terry

Steve & Gail Anton

Robert Teufel

Steven Pletz

Matt Thode

Mike & Carol Smigielski

Charity Yebuah

• Lake Villa Township LC

HONOREES

J. D. Brown Pharmacy

Joliet Noon LC

Terri D'Souza

District 1-A PDG Club

Dave Hansen

District 1-A PDG Club

Dr. Ludwig (Chad) Kuhar

Joliet Noon LC

Ernie Lapid

District 1-A PDG Club

Ken Miller

Joliet Noon LC

Silver Spoon Restaurant (Alicia & Staff)

Joliet Noon LC

Carol Smigielski

District 1-A PDG Club

John & Betty Thien (60th Wedding Anniversary)

- District 1-A PDG Club
- Steve & Kathy Ferguson

Wil Grundy Medical Center (Bea & Staff)

Joliet Noon LC

GET WELL WISHES

Steve Anton

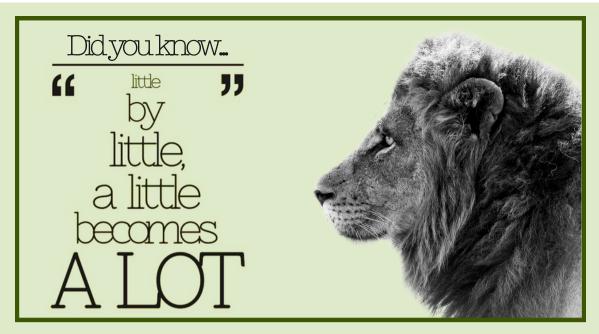
District 1-A PDG Club

Dennis McMillan

District 1-A PDG Club

Howard Swacker

District 1-A PDG Club



By contributing to the Endowment Fund today, we are building security for not only our future, but for the future of generations to come. **Become a Sustaining Supporter Today.**









Ensuring the Future of Those We've Pledged to Serve through Programs and Services like:
Camp Lions Student Low Vision Adult Low Vision Mobile Vision & Hearing Screenings

<u>Sustaining Supporter Program</u>

An annual contribution of \$25 (less than 7¢ per day)

With the initial donation, the Supporter receives a pin and then additional recognition to reflect each 5th level of giving.



<u>Legacy Supporter Program</u>

An annual contribution of \$50 (less than 14c per day)

With the initial donation, the Supporter receives a pin and then additional recognition to reflect each of the 5 levels of giving.



Both the Legacy Supporter and Sustaining Supporter Programs are tax-deductible methods of giving that help to support the many programs and services of the Lions of Illinois Foundation. Annual reminders will be sent through the mail or the contributor will have an option to choose paperless reminders.



Lions of Illinois Foundation

SIGHT AND SOUND SWEEPSTAKES

Early Bird Drawings, are EARLIER in 2025! Due to State Convention being Held May 1-4

2025 Early Bird Drawing Dates:

February 5, 2025 March 5, 2025 April 2, 2025

Final drawing at State Convention MAY 4, 2025

Did you know?

The Early Bird Drawing benefits the Club & Seller! \$250 to the Club & \$250 to the Seller.

Send completed books and monies in by 3pm the Tuesday before each Wednesday drawing to have them entered into the Early Bird Drawing each month. Remember these drawings benefit the Club & Seller!



February 5th Winner Will Be Announced Via Email! Make sure to add LIFoffice@lifnd.org to your email contacts so you don't miss out on special announcements.

Individual Seller Cash Prizes

Fourteen (14) Individual Seller Prizes will be awarded to Lions that meet these qualifications:

- A minimum of twenty-five (25) complete books of three Sweepstakes tickets must be sold by the individual and listed on the bottom of the seller form to qualify for an award.
- All completed Sweepstakes <u>ticket stubs</u>, related money and the complete "Individual Seller Form" must be returned together to the Foundation Office no later than May 1st.

Prizes are:

- Four (4) Top State Sweepstakes Seller prizes of: \$500, \$350, \$250, and \$200.
- If a tie results among any of the Top State Seller prizes, those individuals involved will split the associated prizes.
- There will also be one (1) **Top District Seller** prize of \$100 for each District in MD-1.
- The winner in each District will be the Top Seller of sweepstakes tickets <u>not</u> receiving a Top State Seller prize.



If you need additional Sweepstakes Tickets please contact Dianne Ortega: <u>dortega@lifnd.org</u> to get more!