

## **Jefferson City Host Lions Club**

### **Club Accomplishments 2024-2025**

#### **Service Projects**

Recycled Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids

We have collected 6691 eyeglasses and 146 hearing aids from drop boxes, working a total of 48.5 hours. We processed (sorting/cleaning) 5,448 eyeglasses at the ShowMe Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, working a total of 55 hours.

#### **Children Vision Screening**

We screened 4,908 children/students/adults with 506 referrals, working 436 hours.

#### **Eye Exams and Eyeglasses**

The Club provided free eye exams and eyeglasses this past year for a cost of \$2,575 benefiting 21 individuals in need.

#### **Salvation Army Red Kettle Program**

Our annual Lion Wayne Osgoode Bell Ringing was held on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> was a big success. We raised over \$18,000! The event was a Cole County Lions Club team effort with bell ringers from several area Lion Clubs participating.

#### **Adopt-A-Highway**

11 members collected trash along South Country Club Dr. in the Fall and Spring. There were 52 bags of trash collected with 30 hours being volunteered.

#### **National Federation of the Blind**

Club members drove members of the National Federation of the Blind to their monthly meetings.

#### **Members also Volunteered for Numerous Non-Lion Activities**

Runge Nature Center, Blue Star Memorial, Samaritan Center, Saving Sight Board and Committees, Habitat for Humanity, Capital Region, Governor's Mansion Docents, Dreams to Reality, Special Olympics, Boy Scouts, Red Cross, ABLE, and more.

#### **New Members**

Approved 4 new Lions

## **Fundraisers**

Holiday Ca\$h Raffle	\$ 7,492.95	Chair: Bruce Bates Co-Chair: Mark Kross
Ham & Bean & Chili Day	15,042.80	Chairs: Dennis Licklider, Lyle Rosburg, Roger Schwartz, Mick Wilson
Dusty Deskins Peanut Day	2,827.43	Chair: Dennis Gragg Co-Chair: Janet Ousley

## **Local Donations**

Special Learning Center, Samaritan Center Christmas – Adopted 4 Families, Salvation Army, JCPD Safety Patrol, Council for Drug Free Youth, Senior Nutrition Center, Big Brothers and Sisters, Boys and Girls Club, CASA, JCPC Operation Toys, The Pantry, Rape and Abuse Crisis Center, and others.

## **Support to Lions Programs/Projects**

KidSight, MO Lions Hearing Conservation, Lions World Services for the Blind, Leader Dog for the Blind, and LCIF – Melvin Jones Fellow