

Jefferson City Host Lions Club Club Accomplishments 2023-2024

SERVICE PROJECTS

100th Anniversary Project

Club members planted a few hundred plants at Deborah Cooper Park on Adrian's Island.

RECYCLED EYEGLASSES & HEARING AIDS

We have collected and raw sorted 6,170 eyeglasses and 115 hearing aids from drop boxes, working a total of 39 hours. We processed (sorting/cleaning) 17,741 eyeglasses at the ShowMe Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, working a total of 62 hours.

CHILDREN VISION SCREENINGS

We screened 4,779 children/students/adults at 53 locations, working 365 hours.

EYE EXAMS AND EYEGLASSES

The club provided free eye exams and eyeglasses this past year for a cost of \$965 benefitting 8 people in need.

SALVATION ARMY RED KETTLE PROGRAM

Our annual Lion Wayne Osgoode Bell Ringing on Friday, December 2nd was a huge success. We raised \$21,000! The event was a Cole County Lions Club team effort with bell ringers from the following clubs:, JC Breakfast, JC Capital, JC Evening, Lohman, JC Host Lions, and Wardsville.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY – Members picked up trash.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND - Club members drove members of the National Federation of the Blind to their monthly meeting.

MEMBERS ALSO VOLUNTEERED FOR NUMEROUS NON-LIONS ACTIVITIES including Runge Nature Center, MU-NICU, Blue Star Memorial, Samaritan Center, Honor Flight, Dreams to Reality, Saving Sight Board and Committees, Habitat for Humanity, RACS, Capital Region, Governor's Mansion Docents, Red Cross Blood Drive, MSP Tours, Boy Scouts, and more.

NEW MEMBERS

Approved 4 new Lions.

FUNDRAISERS

Holiday Ca\$h Raffle	\$ 7,767.52	Chair: Janice Bonnot
Ham & Bean & Chili Day	\$ 13,693.26	Chairs: Dennis Lickliger, Lyle Rosburg, Roger Schwartz, Mick Wilson
Dusty Deskins Memorial Peanut Day	\$ 4,500.00	Chairs: Dennis Gragg, Janet Ousley

LOCAL DONATIONS

Samaritan Center Christmas Adopt-Three-Families, Salvation Army, Senior Nutrition Center, National Federation of the Blind, Boys & Girls Club, Court Appointed Special Advocates, Council for Drug Free Youth, JCPD Operation Toys, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Rape & Abuse Crisis Center, JCPD Safety Patrol Awards and Picnic, Renegades Baseball Team, Blue Tiger Athletic Club, Eye Glass Recycling Center, Debra Cooper Park Landscaping, and others.

SUPPORT TO LIONS PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

Kids Sight, MO State Hearing Conservation, World Services for the Blind, Mid-South Sight Services, LCIF Donation – Melvin Jones Fellow, and Leader Dog.