



Join Us for a Day of Leadership, Learning, and Fellowship!

Lions, Lioness-Lions, Leos, and friends — the Winter Conference is your opportunity to connect, learn, and recharge as we navigate the future of service together.

This energizing one-day event will spotlight the best of what makes Lions strong — our compassion, commitment, and community leadership.

Registration is now open! Secure your spot today and be part of an unforgettable day of training, fellowship, and forward-thinking discussions.

Conference Highlights:

- **Hunger Week Showcase** -- District 24-L kicks off Hunger Week with community representatives and service partners. Learn new ways your club can expand its local impact and fight hunger with creativity and collaboration.

Bring canned goods to be donated to local food banks in the Winchester Community.

- **Mental Health Awareness & Discussion** -- LI's new global initiative will take center stage as you hear from experts about the importance of mental wellness, for those we serve and for those who serve.
- **Disaster Relief & Community Response** -- Be prepared when your community needs you most. Get hands-on guidance from experienced Lions who have led emergency response and recovery efforts across Virginia.
- **Leadership Building for Volunteer Organizations** -- Strengthen your leadership toolkit with dynamic sessions focused on communication, motivation, and leading with heart. Perfect for current and future club and district officers.
- **Membership Growth, Retention & Fellowship** -- Discover innovative onboarding and orientation templates that make new members feel welcome from day one. Learn proven facilitation strategies to boost retention and strengthen your club's culture of fellowship.
- **Leo Organization & Youth Engagement Panel** -- Our Leos lead the way! Hear directly from our young leaders during an interactive panel discussion on service, social impact, and the future of Lionism.
- **Networking & Collaboration Opportunities** -- Meet fellow Lions from across District 24-L, share best practices, and spark partnerships that can grow your club's reach and impact.

Let's Lead. Let's Serve. Let's Grow:

Together, we're **Navigating the Future** — strengthening our leadership, deepening our fellowship, and serving with renewed purpose across District 24-L.

Agenda:

<i>Time</i>	<i>Session</i>	<i>Description / Highlights</i>
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Registration & Networking	Check-in, morning coffee, fellowship, and networking with fellow Lions, Leos, and guests. Resource tables open.
9:00 – 9:15 AM	Opening Ceremony & Welcome	Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, Song, Greetings and overview of the day's theme "Navigating the Future."
9:15 – 10:00 AM	Hunger Week Community Showcase	Kick-off to Hunger Week featuring community partners and service organizations sharing local initiatives to combat hunger.
10:00 – 10:45 AM	Mental Health Awareness: A New Lions Initiative	Presentation and open discussion on mental wellness — for those we serve and for ourselves as volunteers.
10:45 – 11:00 AM	Break & Networking	Refreshments and fellowship break.
11:00 – 12:00 PM	Disaster Relief & Community Response	Learn practical approaches for local preparedness, response coordination, and support through Lions disaster relief networks.
12:00 – 1:30 PM	Lunch & Networking	Enjoy fellowship and conversation. Optional "Table Topics" discussions for new members and Leo advisors.
1:30 – 2:30 PM	Membership Moment: Recruitment & Retention Tips	Quick insights into effective onboarding, orientation, and fellowship strategies for club success. Roundtable discussion and presentation of ideas on club growth, partnerships, and District collaboration opportunities.
2:30 – 3:15 PM	Leadership Building in a Volunteer Organization	Skill-building workshop on communication, motivation, and leading with heart in today's volunteer environment.
3:15 – 3:45 PM	Leo Panel: Youth Voices in Service	Engaging discussion with our Leo leaders on youth impact, collaboration, and the future of Lionism.
3:45 – 4:00 PM	Wrap-Up & Key Takeaways	Reflections, open floor comments, and announcements. Closing message and "Next Steps."