

New Member Orientation

November 19, 2025 (Rev 2)



New Member Orientation Summary



New member orientation is broken out into four sections:

- Who Lions Are
- Your Club
- District and Multiple District / Lions of the United States
- Lions Clubs International (LCI)

Lions are men and women dedicated to serving those in need, whether in their own community or around the world.

- Over 1.4 million members
- Over 200 countries
- More than 48,000 clubs

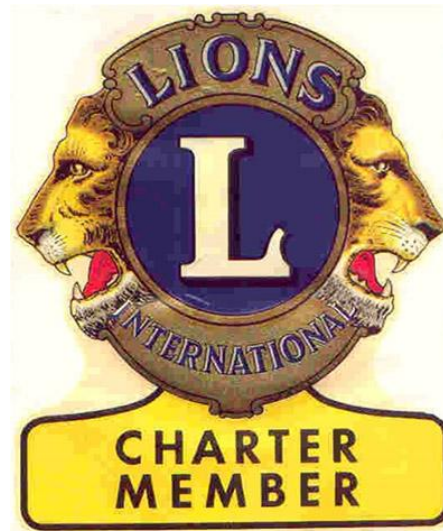




- **Vision Statement:** To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.
- **Mission Statement:** To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.
- **Motto:** “We Serve”
- **Slogan:** Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation’s Safety
- **Purposes:** LCI has a list of purposes to convey why Lions clubs exist.
- **Code of Ethics:** LCI has a code of ethics which set the standard that Lions should aspire to adhere to.

Insert your Club Logo or Banner Here

- Year chartered:
- Number of charter members:
- Sponsored By:



*Members joining within 90 days of the charter date are charter members.

- **President:**
- **Immediate Past President:**
- **Vice President:**
- **Secretary:**
- **Treasurer:**
- **Membership Chairperson:**
- **Directors:**
- **LCIF Chairperson:** < Typically, Immediate Past President >
- **Marketing/Communication Chairperson:**
- **Service Chairperson:**
- **Lion Tamer*:**
- **Tail Twister*:**

* Optional

- Officers are elected annually
- Club president appoints a nomination committee in March
- The nomination committee selects candidates
- The club votes on slate of officers in April
- Club Secretary reports new officers to LCI NLT May 15th
- The term begins July 1st

While service is its own reward, special accomplishments and milestones should be recognized and celebrated. The awards below are awards that all Lions can achieve.

- Membership Keys
- Chevrons – years of service
- Member Sponsor Recognition
- Extension Awards



Service Project Ideas - Vision Screening



Service Project Ideas - Pill Bottle Recycling



Kindness Matters Service Award



In Honor of the late Judge Haynes Townsend, 1IVP

In 2021, Fairfax Host Lions Club collaborated with several Other clubs to raise over \$20,000 for a mobile food pantry truck.



- Member Awards – Lion of the Year, Recommendations to District Governor
- Club Excellence
- LCI Kindness Matters Service Award



<https://lionsuniversity.org/wp-content/uploads/Art-of-Recognition.pdf>

<Insert a list of your fundraising activities here>

- Additional Fundraising ideas
- How about sponsoring organizing a Lions Bowling Tournament?
- Garage sales/flea market
- Dinner dances
- 50/50 at club meetings and events

The benefits of Lions Clubs membership are numerous, and include:

- Be part of a global community for good
- Support, tools and resources to enhance your service
- Leadership development opportunities
- The satisfaction and joy of helping those in need
- Networking opportunities with local and international community leaders
- Friendship and fellowship with service minded people
- Respect and credibility of being a Lion

- **When:**
- **Where:**

Your Club, Your Way: You can decide what meeting format best meets your club's needs – in person, virtual or hybrid.

○ Annual Dues

- Club dues: \$____, which include:
 - ❑ Multiple District dues: \$16
 - ❑ International dues: \$50*
 - ❑ Remaining amount collected stays in the club admin account

○ Activities Budget – Commonly known as the Charity Account; funds collected from the public

○ Administrative Budget – covers the cost of operating the club and paying MD and LCI dues; funds collected from members



* Family Members - International dues are invoiced at \$25/year

Insert specific modes of club communication, including telephone lists and chat groups.

- Social Media

- Facebook
- Instagram
- YouTube
- X

- Email Lists

- Website – Custom website or free e-Clubhouse available, insert URL here.





Virginia Lions MD24

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- A map of Virginia House of Delegates Districts 24L and 24I. District 24L is colored red and includes counties such as Loudoun, Fairfax, Stafford, and Loudoun. District 24I is colored yellow and includes counties such as Loudoun, Loudoun, Loudoun, and Loudoun. District 24J is colored blue and includes counties such as Loudoun, Loudoun, Loudoun, and Loudoun. The map shows the boundaries of these districts and the names of the counties they encompass.

MD24 Map as of 7/30/2024

- **Worldwide there about 750 districts with 35 or more clubs and at least 1,250 members in each district.**
 - Each district has a district governor
- **Multiple districts are formed by two or more districts within a territory.**
- **Our Multiple District: MD 24 Lions of Virginia**
- **Our District: 24-L (Northern Virginia, West and South to the Blue Ridge and Shenandoah Valley)**

District Leadership (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026)



- **District Governor- Dan Visone, Aquia Harbour Host**
- **First Vice District Governor: Chuck Schwab, Broadway**
- **Second Vice District Governor: Greg DeRosa, Fairfax Host**
- **Cabinet Secretary: Vicki Davies, Stephens City**
- **Treasurer: Thomas Rachele, Montclair Lions Club**
- **Region/Zone: <Insert your Region/Zone here (Chair)>**
- **Immediate Past District Governor: James Cech, Montclair**
- **Council Chair: DG-E Dan Visone, Aquia Harbour Host**
- **Global Action Team:**
 - Global Action Team District Chairperson (District Governor): Dan Visone
 - Global Membership Team District Coordinators: PCC Glen Logan
 - Global Leadership Team District Coordinator: PCC Wilma Murphy
 - Global Service Team District Coordinator: Evelyn Marr

- **District conferences are held to:**
 - Develop fellowship among the Lions of the district
 - Conduct general district business
 - Conduct seminars

- **District 24-L Fall Conference (2025)**
 - ✓ **September 27, 2025: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Stafford, VA**

- **District 24-L Winter Conference (2026)**
 - **January 10, 2026: Winchester Moose Lodge, Winchester, VA**

- **Lions of Virginia State Convention**
 - Develop fellowship among the Lions of the multiple district (across Virginia)
 - Conduct general district business
 - Elect the district governor and vice district governors
 - Conduct seminars

How the District and Multiple District Communicate



○ Social Media

- Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/people/Virginia-Lions-District-24-L/61577663016545/>
- Instagram – https://www.instagram.com/virgina_lions_24/
- LinkedIn - <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/4525259/>

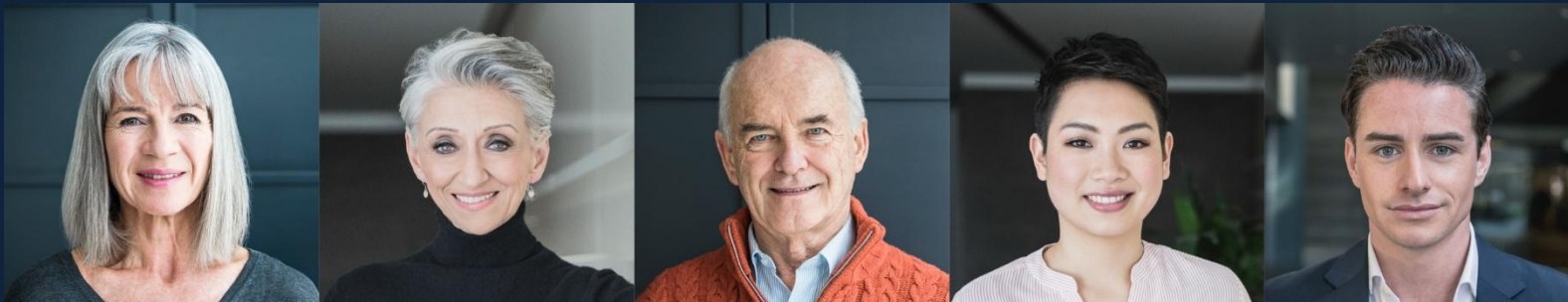
○ Websites

- District – valions.org
- Multiple District – lionsofvirginia.org

○ PawPrints Newsletter – transitioned to Webnews/BLOG on the new website

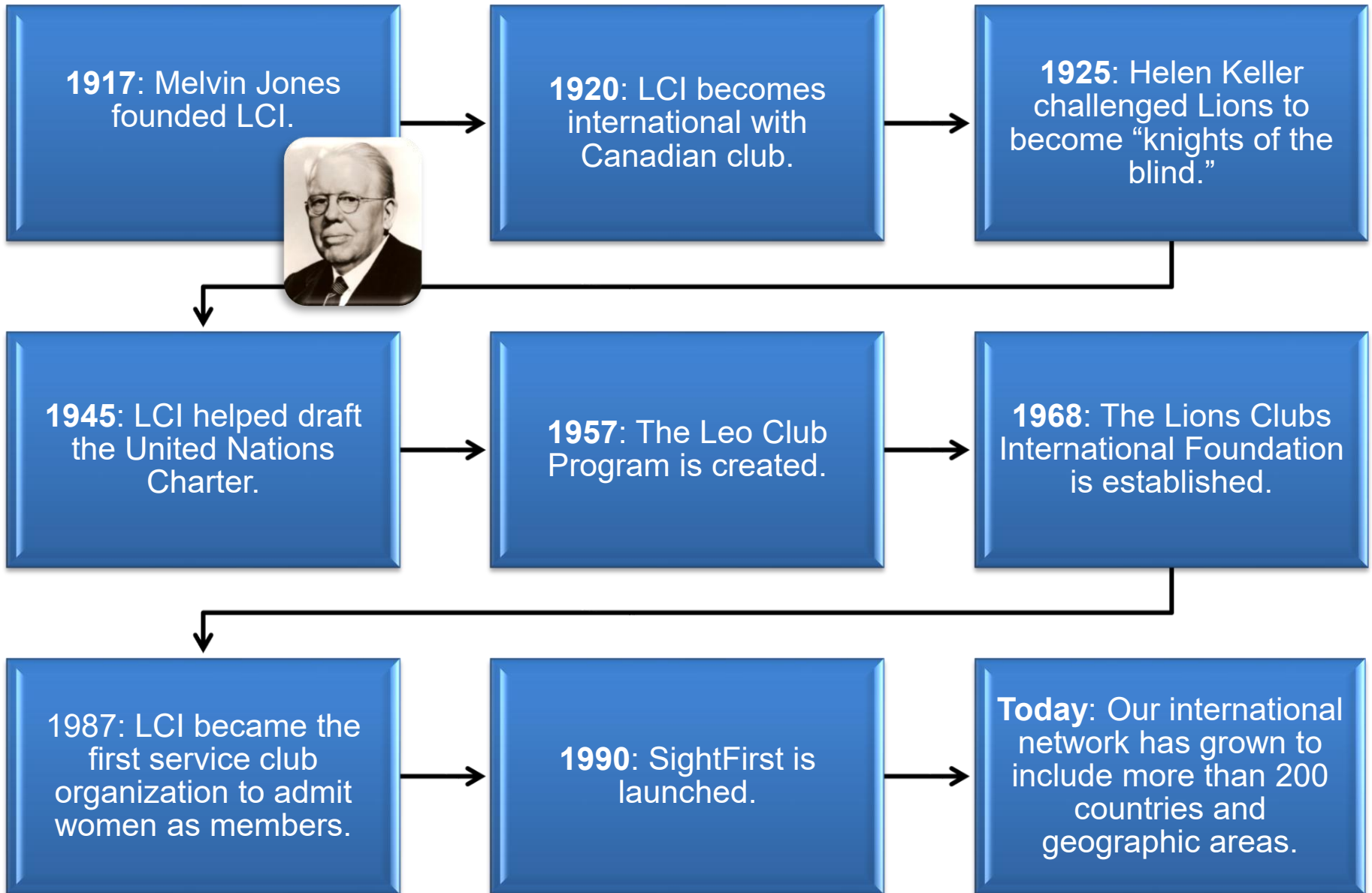


Lions Clubs International



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History



- The official name of the association is “The International Association of Lions Clubs” or simply “Lions Clubs International.”
- The name Lions was chosen on a secret ballot over several others because the lion stood for strength, courage, fidelity and vital action.
- The Lions logo consists of a gold “L” on a blue field surrounded by a gold circle. On either side of the circle is the profile of a Lion’s head, one looking back upon a proud past and the other looking optimistically toward the future.



8 CONSTITUTIONAL AREAS of Lions Clubs Worldwide



II. Canada

I. USA

**III. Central & South America
and Caribbean Islands.**

IV. Europe

**VI. India, South Asia,
and Middle East**

VIII. Africa



V. Orient & South East Asia

**VII. Australia,
New Zealand & Indonesia**





New Club Navigator

Starting November 17

3rd Mondays of the Month

Register: Email membership@lionsusa.org

Target Audience: New Club Members

We're all about helping our newest clubs totally crush it! If your club started in the last 3 years, we've got your back. Stay strong, get connected, & keep the good vibes going. Think real talk, shared tips, & tons of support to help your club grow & stay pumped to serve. Let's go—chart your course!

- **International officers implement policy and serve as inspirational leaders of the world's Lions. Lion Year 2025-2026 Int'l Officers:**
 - **International President: A.P. Singh, India**
 - **First Vice President: Mark Lyon, Connecticut**
 - **Second Vice President: Manoj Shah, Kenya**
 - **Third Vice President: Tony Benbow, Australia**
 - **Immediate Past President/LCIF Chairperson: Fabricio Oliviera, Brazil**

- **The International Board of Directors is the governing body of the association.**
 - 34 members

- **The International Constitution and By-Laws govern the operations of the association and establish the rules by which the association is to function.**

Convention brings together thousands of Lions from around the world for a week of business, education, celebration and fellowship.

Lions International Convention | Hong Kong, China | July 3-7, 2026



To learn more visit LCICon.lionsclubs.org

- **Located in Oak Brook, Illinois**
- **Approximately 275 staff members in 11 divisions:**
 - Convention
 - District and Club Administration
 - Finance
 - Information Technology
 - Leadership Development
 - Legal
 - Lions Clubs International Foundation
 - Marketing
 - Membership
 - Member Operations and Support
 - Service Activities





Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Important Facts

- Founded in 1968: official foundation of Lions Clubs International, empowering the service of Lions
- Provides grant funding for large-scale humanitarian projects
- Relies on donations
- More than US\$1 billion in grants awarded to date
- Amidst the most ambitious fundraising campaign in its history



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

50+ Years of Impact

- US\$120 million in disaster relief funding
- 16 million children served by Lions Quest
- 9.1 million cataract surgeries
- Millions of children vaccinated against measles

LCI provides training and development opportunities for Lions. The Global Leadership Team (GLT) is the driving force behind these programs, including:

- Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes
- Faculty Development Institutes
- Regional Lions Leadership Institutes
- District Governors-Elect Seminar
- Multiple District Leadership Development Funding
- GLT District Funding Support Program
- Webinars
- Lions Learning Center
- Lions Certified Instructor Program

Because Lions seek to address the greatest needs in their communities, our activities are varied, although Lions are united behind eight global causes and one special focus area. The Global Service Team (GST) is the driving force behind these programs and collects and shares service stories that empower leaders to act.

Global Causes

- Diabetes
- Vision
- Hunger
- Environment
- Childhood Cancer
- Humanitarian Efforts
- Disaster Relief
- Youth

Special Focus

- Mental Health and Wellness



**CHILDHOOD
CANCER**



DIABETES



**DISASTER
RELIEF**



ENVIRONMENT



**HUMANITARIAN
EFFORTS**



HUNGER



VISION



YOUTH

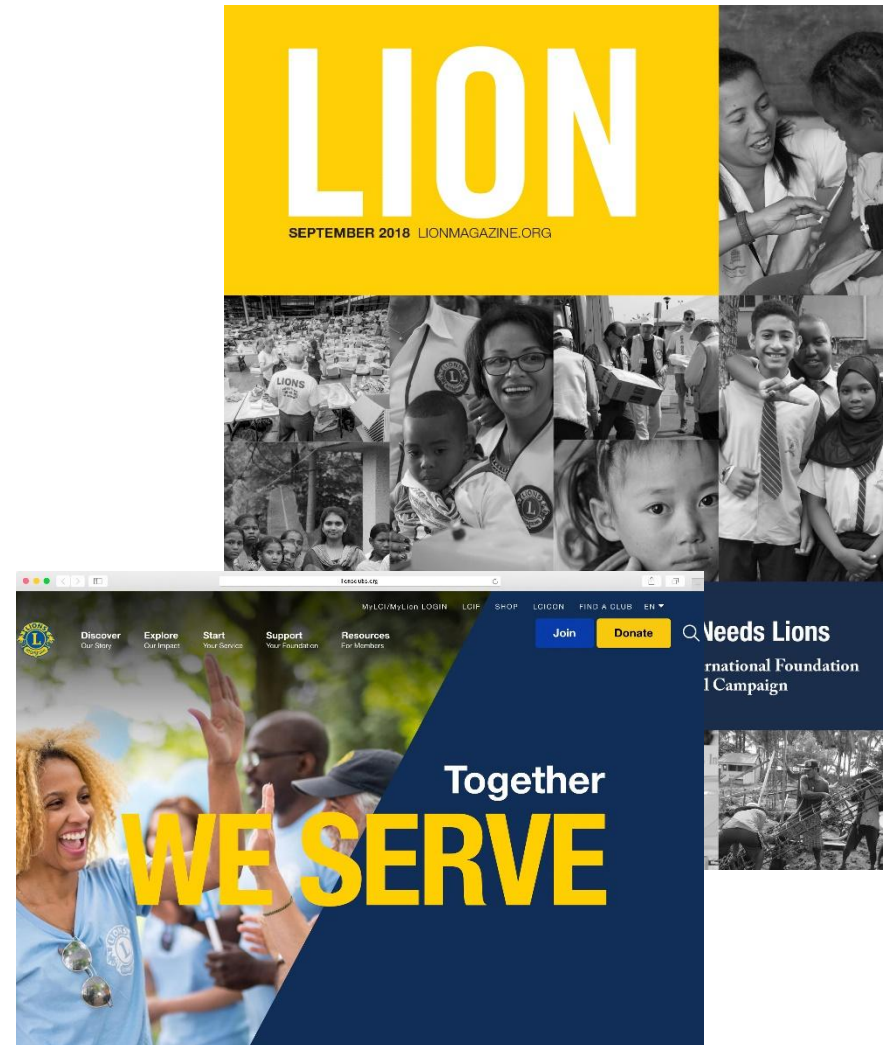
Recruiting new members into your club ensures that there will be a continual influx of enthusiastic members to serve those in need and identify new service that can be done in your community. Membership programs designed to help stimulate growth and foster quality members include:

- Family Membership
- Student Membership
- Leo to Lion
- Lions Worldwide Induction Day
- Leo Clubs
- Club Branches

In addition, forming new clubs is essential to serving a new or underserved area. Membership has several club types to help every member find the right fit:

- Traditional Lions clubs
- Campus Lions clubs
- Leo Lions clubs
- Lioness Lions clubs
- Specialty Lions clubs

- LION Magazine
- E-mail Messages
- Website
 - lionsclubs.org
 - Lion Portal
- Social Networking
 - Facebook
 - facebook.com/lionsclubs
 - Twitter
 - twitter.com/lionsclubs
 - YouTube
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Welcome to your Lions Club!

Any Questions?

For more LCI Orientation Resources, visit:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/member-orientation>

