



Lions Clubs International

# District 32C

ORIENTATION INFORMATION GUIDE

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Ordinary People ... Extraordinary Things



# Lions Clubs International

## Lions Purposes

*The purposes outlined the aims and goals of Lions organization. It is up to individual clubs to implement purpose.*

## Lions Code of Ethics

*The Code of Ethics is a guideline for the personal values that each member should exemplify.*

**To Organize**, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

**To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**To Coordinate** the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

**To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**To Create** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

**To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**To Promote** the principles of good government and good citizenship.

**Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**To Take** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

**To Hold** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**To Unite** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

**Always** bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

**To Provide** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

**To Aid** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**To Encourage** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.

**To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.



## A Warm Welcome

THE GLOBAL LEADER IN HUMANITARIAN SERVICE



...to the Lions family. It is a very large family with 1.35 million plus members in 45,000 clubs in 200 plus countries and geographic areas. No matter what language is spoken, religion practice or political affiliation; the commonality is providing humanitarian service. You are now an integral part of this worldwide team of Lions who are providing miracles for those in need.

You joined Lions to make a positive difference in your community through direct action and help those in need. It is imperative to help you do that and do it the most effective way possible. You will also have *fun!*

We value your time and sincerely thank-you for stepping up 'to serve.' We are committed to helping you be the '*best Lion you can be.*'

This booklet is only the beginning and will give you some history and provide basic understanding of the association. However, the true understanding of what Lions is all about, will come from service to and for local community.

As you become actively involved and gain valuable knowledge, please share experiences and accomplishments with family and friends. It is important to continue growing the association as we make the world a better place.

### Who Are The Lions?

**LIONS ARE** *members of the world's largest and most active service club organization.*

**LIONS ARE** *people who have decided to give something back to their communities, who are dedicated to helping people in need, and who meet those needs in an efficient caring way.*

**LIONS ARE** *men and women who believe that by working with other dedicated Lions, they will accomplish far more for their communities than would be possible alone.*

**LIONS ARE** *committed to solving major, worldwide health and social problems, and realize that solutions are possible when every Lions Club does its share.*

**LIONS ARE** *people who cherish the friendship and fellowship within their own club, but also feel a close kinship with fellow Lions in 209 plus countries and geographical areas around the world.*

**LIONS ARE** *patriotic, giving allegiance to their country, while recognizing that all peoples must one day learn to live in peace.*

**LIONS ARE** *dedicated to maintaining the highest ethical and moral standards in their club and in their personal lives.*

**LIONS ARE PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU!**



## Our Service

**Lions are serving a world in need.** Lions International is the largest service club organization in the world, with more than 1.4 million members in 49,000 clubs serving 200 countries and geographic areas worldwide. Since our founding in 1917, we have been proving that where there's a need, there's a Lion.

**Kindness matters to Lions.** Our motto is "We Serve" and Lions put it into action every day. We're caring men and women who come together to be the difference in our communities. We believe we can do so much more together than we can alone.

**Lions serve global causes.** Lions around the world are rallying around the five global causes of vision, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and diabetes. We have set a goal of serving 200 million people a year through these causes and other humanitarian initiatives.

**Lions empower young people.** We believe young people are the leaders of tomorrow. And today. Our Leo clubs give young people opportunities to become volunteers and service leaders, developing new skills and a lifelong passion for service. Approximately 190,000 Leos in 7,600 clubs are serving more than 150 countries worldwide.

We also provide valuable local services to youth such as mentoring, health programs and scholarships. Internationally, we empower youth through our Peace Poster Contest, youth camps and exchanges, and the Lions Quest program that has helped provide positive life skills to over 20 million students.

**Our Foundation empowers the service of Lions.** We also help our global neighbors through the support of our Foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). LCIF has awarded more than US\$1.2 billion in grants to support Lions' humanitarian projects.

**Lions are making a world of difference.** Every day, every way, Lions are investing their time, talents and resources in the communities where we live, work and serve. We believe there is no challenge that can't be overcome when we unite for good.



## Our Story

**1917 The Beginning** // Chicago business leader Melvin Jones asked a simple and world-changing question – what if people made a commitment to improving their communities? More than a century later, Lions International is the largest service club organization in the world, with more than 1.4 million members in 49,000 clubs acting on the same simple idea – when Lions come together for the good of humanity, there’s nothing we can’t achieve.

**1920 Going International** // Just three years after our founding, Lions became international when we established the first club in Canada. Mexico followed in 1927. In the 1950s and 1960s, international growth accelerated, with new clubs in Europe, Asia and Africa.

**1925 Saving Sight** // Helen Keller addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, USA, and challenged Lions to become “knights of the blind.” Since then, we have worked tirelessly to aid those who are blind or visually impaired.

**1945 Uniting Nations** // We were one of the first nongovernmental organizations invited to assist in the drafting of the United Nations Charter. We host an annual Lions Day with the United Nations to continue our partnership and identify global solutions to the challenges facing humanity.

**1957 Organizing Youth Programs** // We started the Leo program to provide the young people of the world with an opportunity to serve and lead with Lions. There are approximately 190,000 Leos and 7,600 Leo clubs in more than 150 countries worldwide.

**1968 Establishing Our Foundation** // Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) assists Lions with global and large-scale humanitarian projects. Through our global Foundation, Lions have received more than US\$1 billion in grants to help meet the needs of their local and global communities.

**1990 Launching SightFirst** // Through the support of LCIF, Lions are restoring sight and preventing blindness on a global scale with the SightFirst program. Launched in 1990, Lions have raised more than US\$372 million for this initiative that targets the major causes of blindness.

**2017 Celebrating Our Centennial** // Lions celebrate a century of service by serving more than 250 million people around the world through a special Centennial Service Challenge.

**2018 Rallying Around Global Causes** // Lions unite to support the global causes of vision, hunger, the environment, childhood cancer and diabetes. LCIF launches Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service to raise US\$300 million to increase the service impact of Lions around the world.

**2022 Campaign 100** // LCIF successfully completes the largest fundraising campaign in the organization’s history, raising more than US\$325 million and exceeding its US\$300 million goal. This amazing success will enable LCIF to continue to support grant-worthy projects and empower Lions to improve health and well-being, strengthen our communities, and support those in need around the world.



## Fact Sheet

### Name

The official name of the association is 'The International Association of Lions Clubs' or simply 'Lions Clubs International'. The name Lions was chosen because of the symbolism of what a lion animal represents - courage, strength, activity and fidelity.

### Motto

Lion's motto is 'We Serve' - adopted 1954 International Convention.

### Slogan

LIONS = Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety - adopted 1919 International Convention.

### Official Colors

Purple and gold were chosen when the association was founded in 1917. The purple represents loyalty to country, friends, to one's self and to the integrity of mind and heart. It is the color of strength, courage and dedication to a cause. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity in life and generosity in mind, heart and commitment to mankind. Often a dark blue is used in place of purple.

### Official Emblem

The current Lions emblem (or logo) was adopted at the 1919 convention. Today, Lions worldwide are recognized by it. It consists of a gold letter "L" on a circular purple field. Bordering this is a circular gold area with two Lion profiles facing away from center. The Lions face both past and future; showing both pride of heritage and confidence in the future. The word "Lions" appear at the top and "International" at the bottom.

### Lions Vision Statement

To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.

### Lions Mission Statement

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



## Our Global Causes

Every journey begins with a single step. One act of service, one encouraging word, one gift of generosity is often all it takes to bring hope where it's needed most.

Over the last 100 years, the kindness of Lions and Leos has multiplied across borders, oceans, and continents. With over 1.4 million members, we now have an opportunity to truly change our world.

That's why we're uniting our global service around five areas of need. These Global Causes present significant challenges to humanity, and we believe it's our turn to meet them.



### Diabetes

The International Diabetes Federation reports that 1 in 2 people with diabetes are undiagnosed. Lions recognize the needs of the world are changing, and have championed the cause of diabetes to better serve both our communities and the world.



### Vision

Ever since Helen Keller inspired us to champion the cause in 1925, we've served and advocated for the blind and visually impaired. Nearly a century later, this long-standing mission continues unhindered.



### Hunger

We serve to improve human flourishing. We see how the global hunger and nutrition crisis bears upon our local communities, and believe true community improvement depends on the thriving of its members.



### Environment

The earth sustains human life. We've seen how our stewardship of natural resources can improve quality of life and increase engagement in our local communities. Our environment is more than a background: it's our home. And we're committed to caring for it.



### Childhood Cancer

Lions and Leos provide support for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancer through impactful service activities.



## Lions Clubs International Foundation

Our mission is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding.



### Vision

LCIF helps Lions prevent avoidable blindness and care for the visually impaired.



### Youth

LCIF improves access to quality education, vital health services, and positive youth development for young people around the world.



### Disaster Relief

Whenever and wherever disaster strikes, Lions are often among the first to offer aid. LCIF empowers those crucial relief efforts.



### Humanitarian

Lions identify the world's most crucial needs, and LCIF supports them in their efforts to provide humanitarian aid around the globe.



### Diabetes

LCIF is fighting to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for people diagnosed with this disease.



### Hunger

LCIF is on a mission to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.



### Environment

LCIF is dedicated to helping Lions take on large-scale projects that will create a sustainable and healthy future for generations to come.



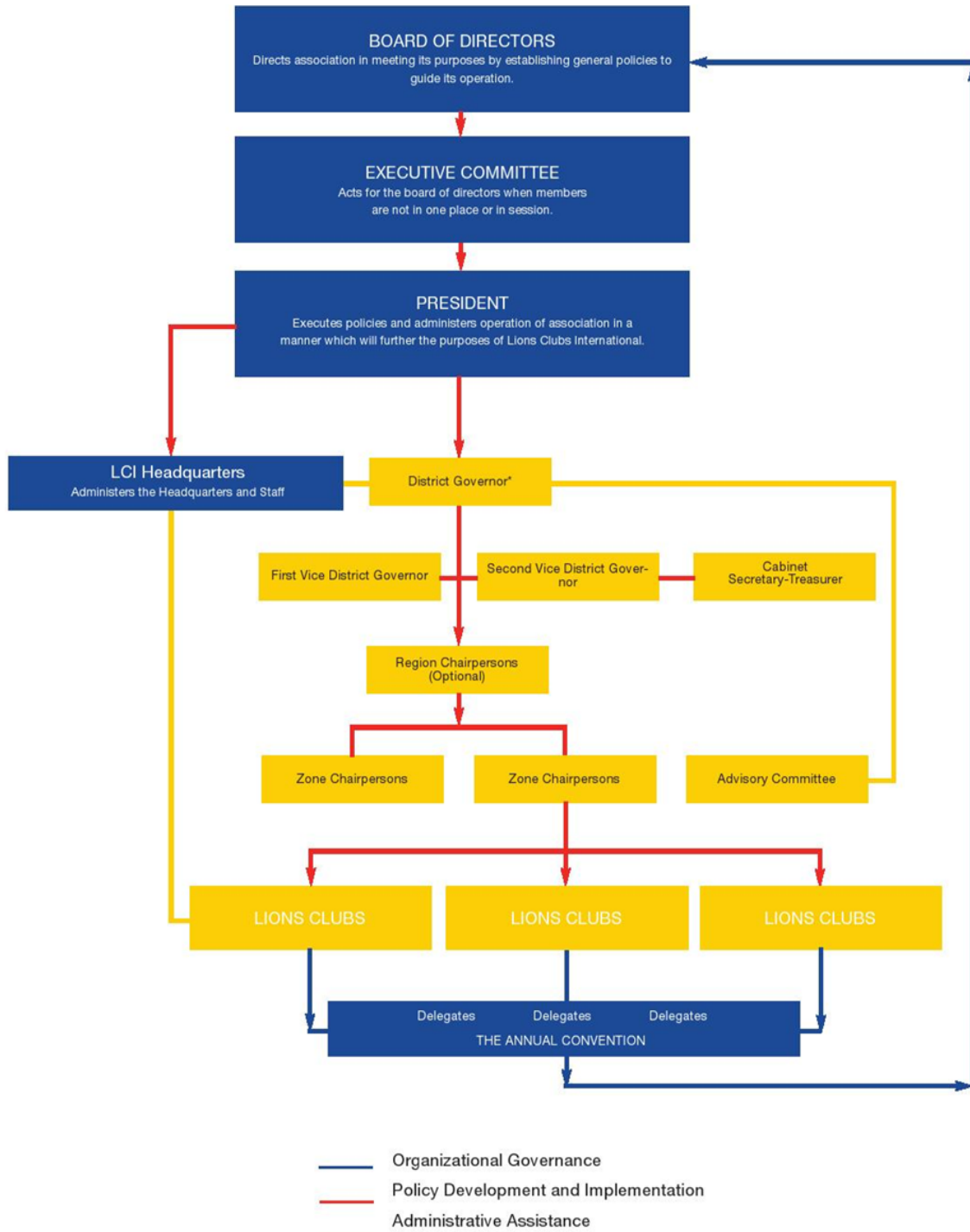
### Childhood Cancer

LCIF is committed to helping cancer patients and their families, and we're constantly exploring new ways to improve quality of life for these children.





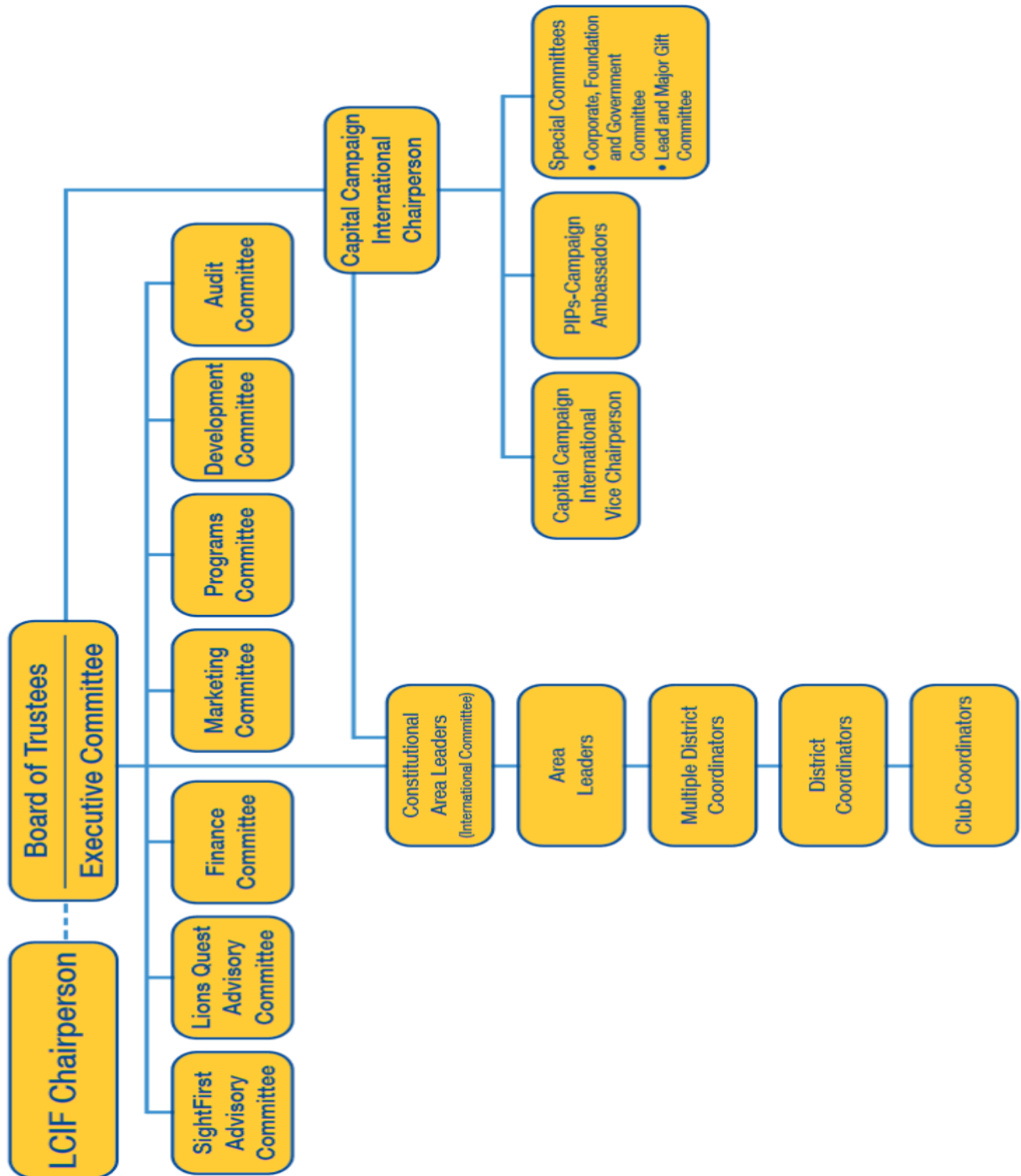
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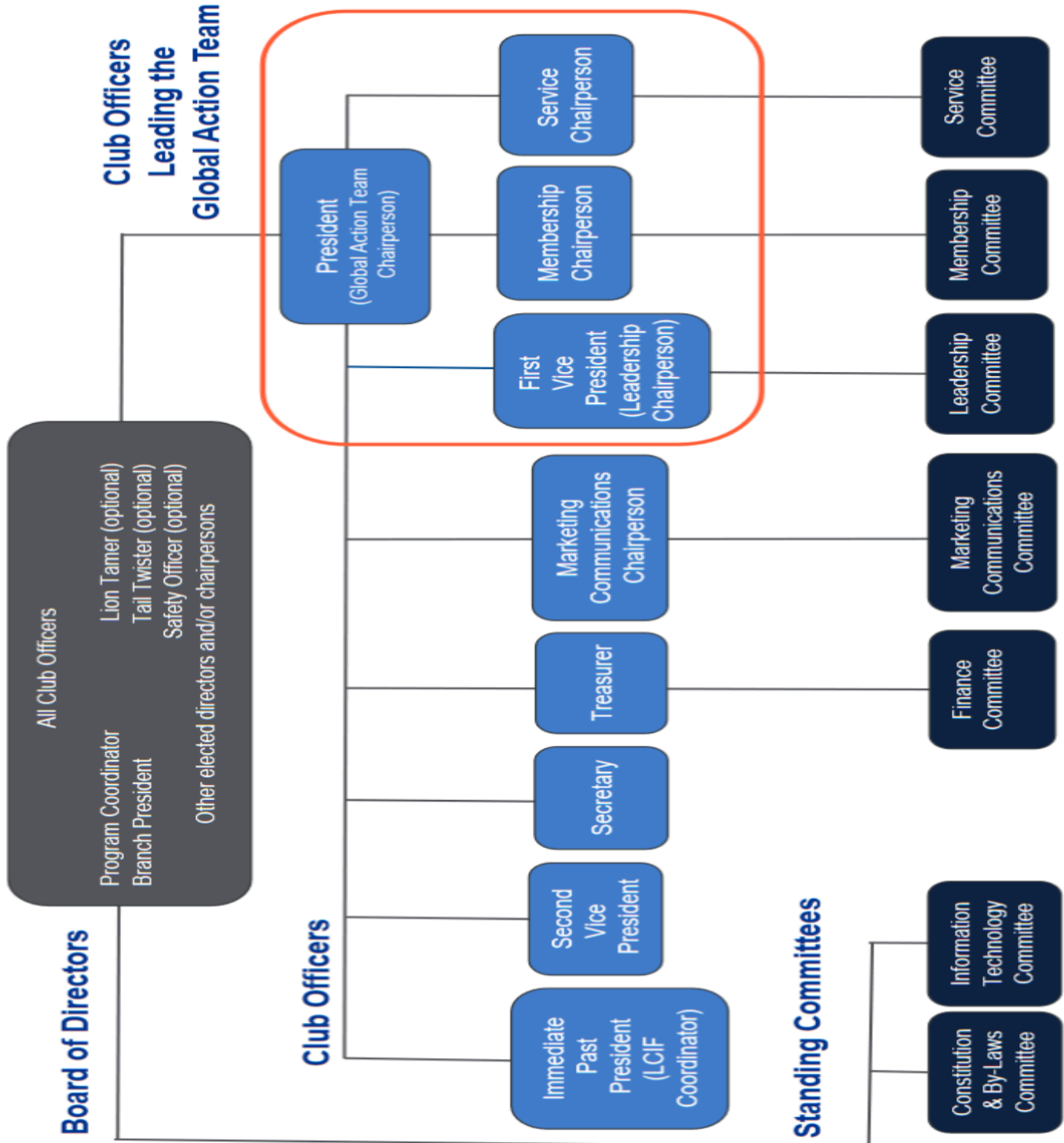
### LCI Foundation Organization Chart





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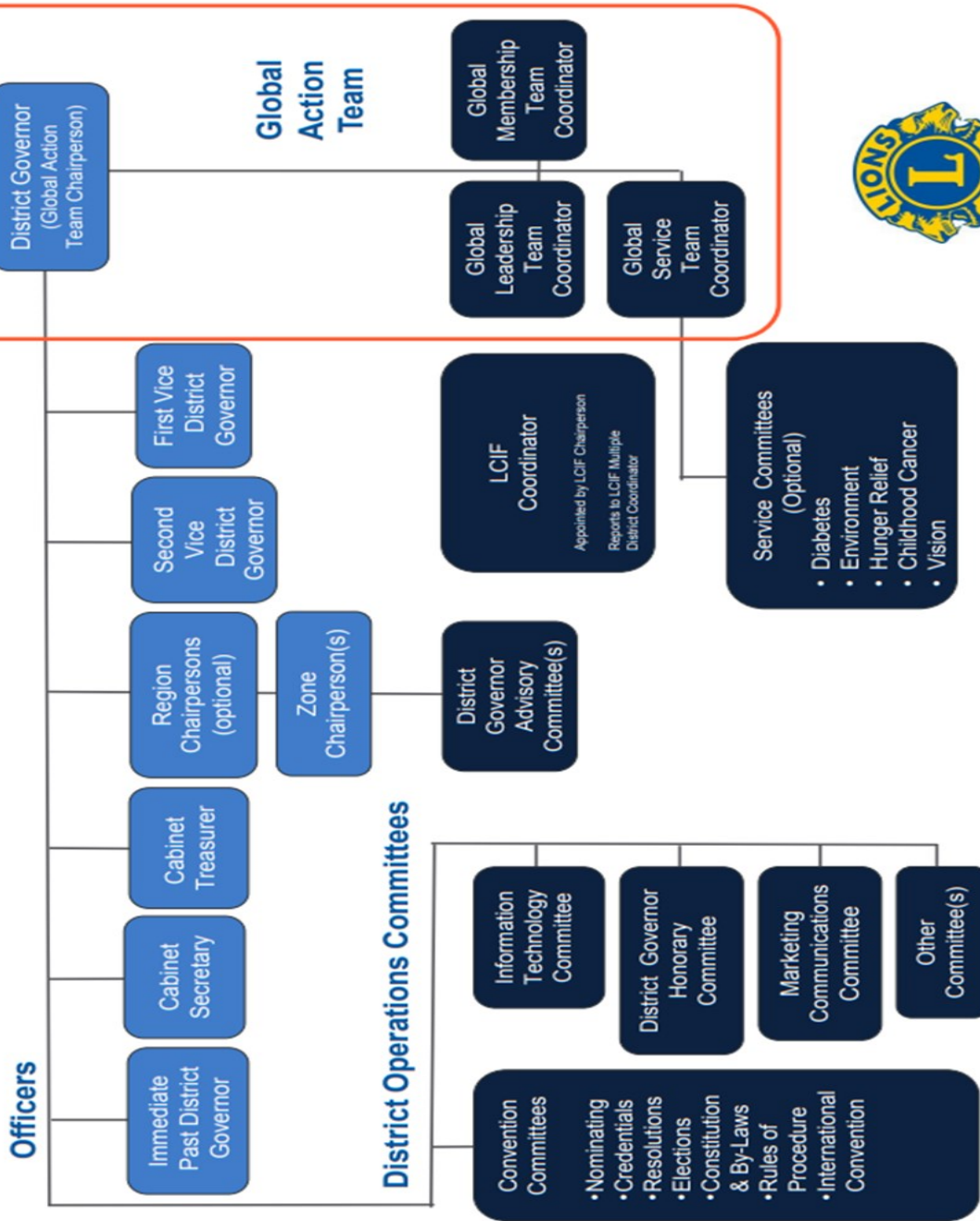
Club Organizational Chart as suggested by Lions Clubs International





## OUR STRUCTURE The District Cabinet

### District Cabinet Structure



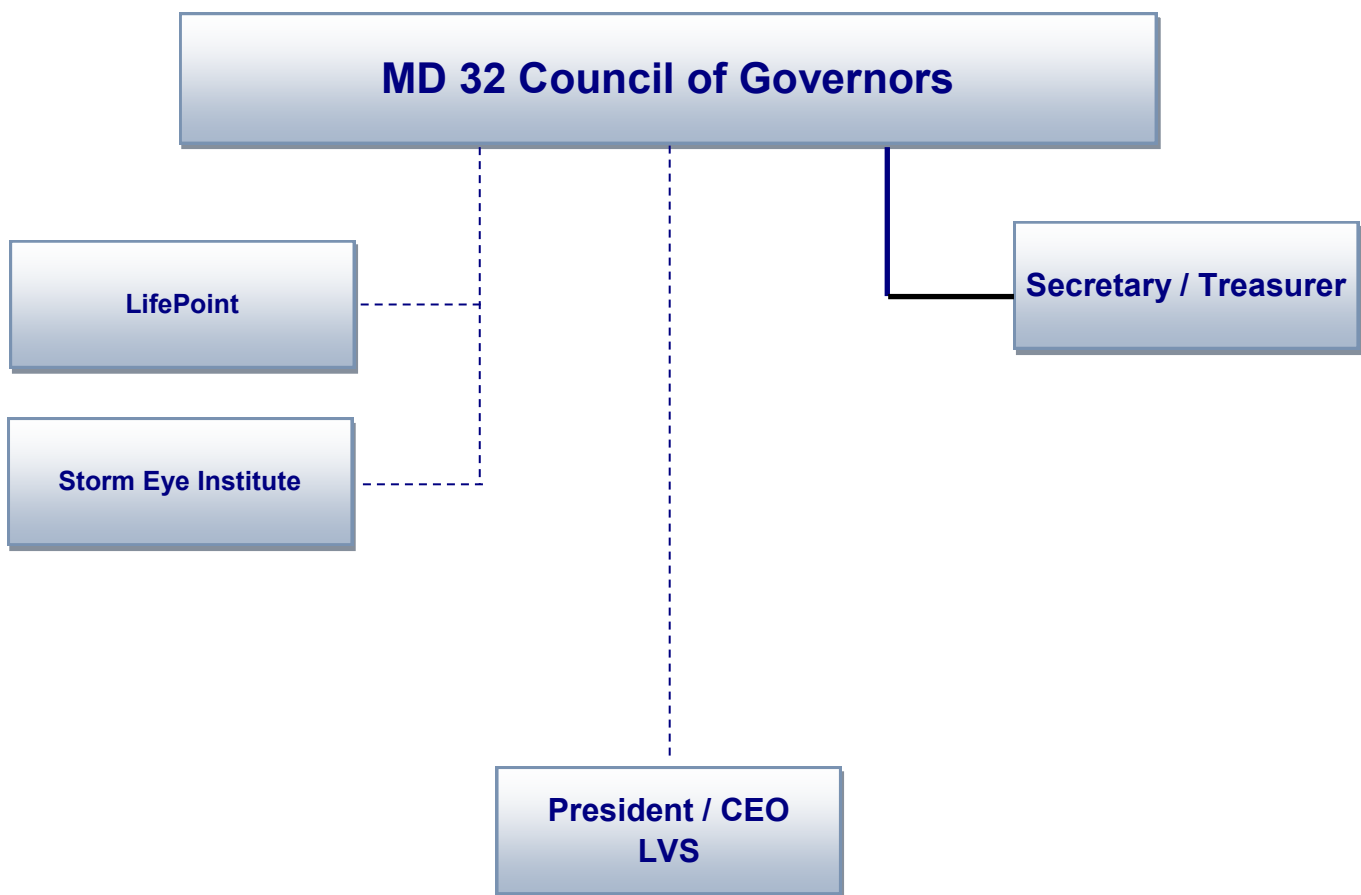
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The above organizational chart is a general representation of the structure of District 32C. As you can see, it takes a number of dedicated Lions for the district to operate. The voting members of the District Governor's Cabinet are: District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor, Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, Region and Zone Chairpersons and any other designated Lions.



# OUR STRUCTURE

## Multiple District 32 South Carolina Organization Chart





# Lions Clubs International



## **LI** **ONS** **VISION SERVICES** *A South Carolina Charity*

**Mission:** To improve the lives of South Carolina residents by providing health screenings, optical supplies, and facilitating the receipt of hearing services and eye surgeries, for underprivileged persons without insurance and who cannot receive assistance from state, federal, or other agencies.

### History

**1968:** Study Committees are formed to explore organizing a charitable organization for the Lions of South Carolina.

**1969:** At the State Convention in Myrtle Beach, the South Carolina Lions Sight Conservation Association (SCLSCA) was voted into existence.

**1973:** SCLSCA moves into the South Carolina Lions Building in West Columbia.

**1974:** The South Carolina Foundation was formed as the charitable arm for South Carolina Lions.

**1994:** SCLSCA changed its name to South Carolina Lions, Inc.

**2003:** South Carolina Lions Eye Bank merged with LifePoint.

**2003:** South Carolina Lions Inc. changed its name to South Carolina Lions Charitable Services (SCLCS).

**2011:** In July, South Carolina Lions Charitable Service Foundation (SCLCSF) changed its name to South Carolina Lions Foundation (SCLF). A Director of Development was hired to grow the organization's financial assets through increasing contributions.

**2014:** A grant from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) allows SCLCS to dramatically expand health screening capacity. This grant is renewed through at least 2018.

**2016:** During the Annual Meeting of SCLCS/SCLF at the State Convention in Columbia, the Board approved three measures to:

- (1) to convert SCLCS/SCLF into one organization under the dissolution clause of SCLCS and SCLF Bylaws to take effect July 1, 2017;
- (2) amend the SCLCS Bylaws to create an Endowment Account which will outline the stewardship of SCLCS monies; and
- (3) name the new organization "Lions Vision Services: A South Carolina Charity."



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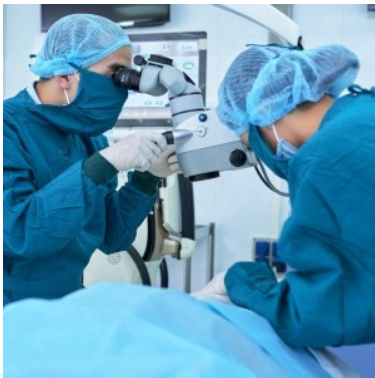
# LIONS VISION SERVICES

*A South Carolina Charity*

## Programs & Services

All LVS clients must demonstrate total household income of approximately 200% of current Federal Poverty Guidelines and show proof of South Carolina residency for at least one year.

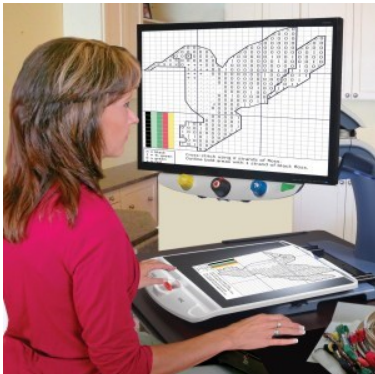
Clients currently enrolled in SNAP, TANF, Subsidized Housing, or Medicaid are pre-qualified for assistance and can submit proof of current enrollment in one of those programs to expedite the application process.



**Eye Surgery** - LVS operates the most comprehensive and inclusive eye surgery program of its kind in the state. We pay for physician fees, surgery center fees, an anesthesia.



**Eyeglasses** - We provide a basic pair of single or lined bifocal lenses, and when needed an eye exam to determine the prescription. Some requests may be referred to a local Lions Club for assistance.



**Vision Technology** - Assistive technology devices ranging from handheld magnifiers to CCTVs and even wearable devices can be placed on permanent loan to clients for their lifetime.



**Vision Screenings** - Most vision screenings are conducted by a local Lions Club, but LVS staff still use PlusOptix refractors, Titmus machines, and a tonometer in select screening events annually.



## Club Types



### Traditional Clubs

Most Lions clubs are formed on the traditional club model. These clubs bring together a group of service-minded individuals who want to better their community, and meet locally on a regular basis.



### Specialty Clubs

Specialty clubs are much like traditional clubs, but bring together a group of individuals who share a common interest in addition to a commitment to service. A specialty may share a hobby, like snowboarding or knitting, or a common cultural background.



### Virtual Clubs

Virtual clubs conduct some or all club meetings remotely, over the phone or via the internet. This club type allows a more widely-distributed group of club members to plan and execute service projects with ease, and is a great fit for those with busy schedules.



### Campus Clubs

Campus clubs offer students the opportunity to build leadership skills, and create a common bond of service with fellow students. Members of campus clubs may also be eligible for student membership.



### Leo Clubs

Leo Clubs provide an opportunity for youth and young adults to serve in their communities, develop leadership skills and grow as individuals. There are two kinds of Leo Clubs - Alpha Leos (ages 12-18) and Omega Leos (ages 18-30).



### Leo-Lions Clubs

Leo-Lions clubs may be formed by any group of 20 charter members consisting of at least 10 former Leos. These clubs are just one option for Leos to transition to Lions membership. Leos may also form charter or join other types of traditional Lions club.





## Membership Types

In addition to regular membership, Lions International offers special membership programs for families, college students, former Leos and young adults.

### **New member**

New members pay an entrance fee of US\$35 or must submit the proper waiver certification form. International dues total US\$48 annually. Dues are billed on a semi-annual basis. Additional club, district multiple district dues may apply.

### **Transfer member**

Transfer members in good standing pay no entrance fee when transferring to an existing club within 12 months.

### **Family member**

The Family Membership Program provides families with the opportunity to receive a special dues discount when they join a Lions club together. The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues (US\$48), and up to four additional family members pay only half the international dues (US\$24). All family members pay the one-time entrance fee (US\$35).

The Family Membership Program is open to family members who are (1) eligible for Lions membership, (2) currently in or joining the same club and (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. Common household family members include parents, children, spouses, aunts and uncles, cousins, grandparents, in-laws and legal dependents. Submit via MyLCI, or include the Family Unit Certification Form with the Monthly Membership Report (MMR).

### **Student member**

Students enrolled in an educational institution who are between the age of legal majority and through age 30 pay no entrance or charter fee and half international dues (US\$24.00). Students over age 30 who are joining a Campus Lions club pay a US\$10 entrance fee and full international dues. Submit the Student Member Certification Form (STU-5) for each student.

### **Current or former Leo**

Current or former Leos seeking membership, who are through the age of 35 and have served as a Leo for at least a year and a day, pay half international dues and receive an entrance/charter fee waiver under the Leo-Lion membership program. Leo-Lion should be selected as the membership type in MyLCI.

Leos over age 35 who have served as a Leo for at least a year and a day receive an entrance/charter fee waiver.

### **Young adult**

Young adults through the age of 30 receive an entrance fee waiver and pay half international dues when joining a Leo-Lion club.



## Membership Categories

For prospective members who may not be able to meet the obligations of active membership, LCI offers several membership categories to fit their needs.

### Active Member

Active membership is the “typical” category of Lions membership. Active members receive all benefits, and must meet all requirements, of Lions membership.

### Affiliate Member

An affiliate member is someone who is not able to participate as an active member of the club but desires to support the club and its community service initiatives.

### Associate Member

An associate member has active membership in one Lions club and associate membership in a second club in their community of residence or employment.

### Honorary Member

An honorary members is not a member of the Lions club but may be granted honorary membership by a Lions club for having performed outstanding service.

### Life Member

A life member is a Lion who has maintained active membership for at least 20 years, or at least 15 years if the member has reached age 70. Life membership may also be granted to a Lion who is critically ill.

### Member-at-Large

A member-at-large is a member of a club who is unable to regularly attend club meetings but desires to retain membership in the club.

### Privileged Member

A privileged member is a Lion who has been a member 15 or more years but must relinquish active status because of illness, infirmity, advanced age or other reason.

Active	Dues			Dist. or Int'l Office	Voting Privileges	Dist. or Int'l Conv. Delegate
	Club	Dist.	Int'l			
Active	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Affiliate	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Club matters only	No
Associate*	Yes	No	No	No	Club matters only	No
Honorary	No	Club pays	Club pays	No	No	No
Life	Yes	Yes	One-time US\$650	Yes	Yes	Yes
Member-at-Large	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Club matters only	No
Privileged	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		

\* Detailed information regarding the obligations, rights and privileges of all membership categories can be found in the *Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws*.



## General Information

### REGULAR CLUB MEETINGS/EVENTS

Regular meetings of this club shall be held at times and places recommended by the board of directors, and approved by the club Except as otherwise specifically provided in this constitution and by-laws, notice of regular meetings shall be given in such manner as the board of directors deems proper to effectively communicate the meeting and/or event to all club members and encourage involvement. Regular club meetings may be replaced by service projects or other events as determined by the club members. (It is recommended that the club host a meeting, event or service activity at least once a month.)

### Club Budgets

All money raised from the public must be used for service projects and community needs. Clubs maintain two separate budgets and accounts; activities and administrative. Lions clubs charged dues to members to pay for administrative expenses. Clubs set their own budget covering operating cost.

**International Dues**                      Currently \$48.00 per year (exceptions below) Billed semi-annual \$24.00 x 2

**Multiple District Dues**              Currently \$ 9.30 per year Billed semi-annual \$4.65 x 2

**District Dues**                              Currently \$7.50 per year Billed semi-annual \$3.75 x 2

**Club Dues – Set by club**              ???? – may or may not include meal cost

**Family Membership** – First adult member pay full International dues; additional up to five pay half International dues; \$24.00 per year.

**Student Membership** – Students enrolled in an educational institution and between the ages of 18 through 30 pay half International dues; \$24.00 per year.



## How Can I Be The Best Lion I Can Be?

Being the 'best you can be' will only be achieved through involvement. Active, establishing relationships and experiencing new situation are the basic components of getting involved. Asking question will also provide answers that will boost the learning curve in acquiring basic knowledge. Here is a list of knowledge-sets that will aid in one's quest to be the best

### ***Comprehensive Knowledge of the Club***

- History of the club
- Organizational structure
- Service and fund raising activities
- Meaning and responsibilities of group membership
- Club leadership

### ***Comprehensive Knowledge of the District and Multiple District***

- History of Lions in the district, multiple district and country
- Organizational structure
- Size and practices
- District Leadership
- Programs and activities
- District communications

### ***Comprehensive Knowledge of Lions Clubs International***

- Who Lions are
- History
- Origin of the name "Lions"
- Colors and logo
- Traditions
- Organizational structure
- Leadership
- International Constitution and By-laws
- Purposes and Code of Ethics
- International fellowship
- International Headquarters operations
- International convention
- Service and information
- Lions Clubs International Foundation
- Leo Club program
- Lions Clubs International Communications

### ***These activities which should be completed within a new Lions first six months of membership are:***

- Attend a club board meeting
- Involvement in club service or fund raising activity
- Introduce a prospective new member to the club
- Visit one other club
- Attend a Zone, Region, Sub-district, Multiple District meeting or International Convention and report back to the club

***Be proud to be a Lion and always wear your lapel pin!***



# Lions Clubs International

## Language of Lions

CAR	<i>Club Activities Report</i> – Completed and updated by Club Secretary showing ongoing club activities as they occur. Reported to Lions Clubs International.
CC	<i>Council Chairperson</i> – Chosen by incoming District Governors for each district in South Carolina to preside over meetings. The District Governors are the Council.
COG	<i>Council of Governors</i> – Sitting District Governors and the Council Chairperson.
District	Geographical area consisting of a minimum of 36 Lions clubs.
District Cabinet	Administrative body for district consisting of District Governor, Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, Immediate Past District Governor, Region and Zone Chairpersons.
DG	<i>District Governor</i> – An international position elected by the district at annual convention to preside over the area for one year.
DGE	<i>District Governor Elect</i> – Incoming selectee before start of Lions year beginning 1 July.
ID	<i>International Director</i> – Elected by delegates to the International Convention to serve on International Board for 2 years.
IP	<i>International President</i> - Elected by delegates to the International Convention to serve for 1 year.
IPDG	<i>Immediate Past District Governor</i> – Lions year after as District Governor.
LCI	<i>Lions Clubs International</i> – Name of international organization.
LCIF	<i>Lions Clubs International Foundation</i> – Charitable arm of Lions Clubs International.
Leader Dog	Leader dogs for the Blind; located in Rochester, Michigan. Provide trained dogs for sight impaired and mobility training
LEO	Lions youth organization, organized as a project of Lions clubs to provide a means for youth ages to age 18 with opportunities for community service.
MD	<i>Multiple District</i> – Consist of geographical area with several districts.
MJF	<i>Melvin Jones Fellowship</i> – Awarded to individual Lion after \$1000 contribution to Lions Clubs International Foundation.
MMR	<i>Monthly Membership Report</i> - Completed and filed by Club Secretary showing membership for each month. Sent to Lions Clubs International.
PCC	<i>Past Council Chairperson</i> – Lions title after serving as Council Chairperson.
PDG	<i>Past District Governor</i> - Lions title after serving as District Governor.
PID	<i>Past international Director</i> – Lions title after as International Director.
PIP	<i>Past International President</i> - Lions title after serving as International President.
PMJF	<i>Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship</i> – Individual Lion becomes after second \$1000 contribution to Lions Clubs International Foundation.
PU101	<i>Personnel Update</i> – Completed and filed by club secretary showing incoming club officers for Lions year beginning 1 July. Due to Lions Clubs International by 15 May.
Region	Geographical area of a district consisting of 2 - 4 zones. May be presided over by a Region Chairperson.
RC	<i>Region Chairperson</i> – An appointed position by the District Governor for one year.
VDG1 or VDG2	<i>Vice District Governor</i> – Elected for one or two years to serve as assistant to the District Governor. Position qualifies individual for District Governor.
PDG	<i>Past District Governor</i> - Lions title after serving as District Governor.
Zone	Geographical area of a district consisting of 4 - 8 clubs presided over by a Zone Chairperson.
ZC	<i>Zone Chairperson</i> – An appointed position by the District Governor for one year.



## Lions-Related Internet Sites

Lions Clubs International

[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

Lions Clubs International Foundation

[www.lcif.org](http://www.lcif.org)

District 32C

[www.sclions32c.org](http://www.sclions32c.org)

Lions Vision Services

[www.lionsvisionservices.org](http://www.lionsvisionservices.org)

Leader Dogs for the Blind

[www.leaderdog.org](http://www.leaderdog.org)

Camp Lions Den

[View](#)

Camp Leo

[www.campleosc.com](http://www.campleosc.com)

SC School for the Deaf and Blind

[www.scsdb.org/](http://www.scsdb.org/)

SC Lions Eye Research

[Donate](#)





It is our sincere hope this guide provide some useful information that will expand, deepen and enrich your Lions Experience. Having chosen to become a member of the world's largest service organization, you have the opportunity to impact countless lives locally, nationally and globally.  
*"Welcome" to Lions."*

**Thanks To You  
For Your  
Commitment  
'To Serve'**



**It's Great To Be A Lion  
"We Serve"**