



PROJECT IDEAS VISION



LEARN

- Invite an eye professional to your club to educate Lions and Leos on common eye diseases that may cause blindness if left untreated.
- Access the “Lions Eye Health Program” to educate yourself and your club about blindness prevention.
- Invite a person who is blind or has low vision to talk about technology that aids in mobility or navigation and activities of daily living.
- Complete the free online “Blindness Basics Course” at Hadley School for the Blind to better understand blindness.
- Serve a meal at your club and invite members to eat while blindfolded to raise awareness and build empathy.

ACT // BEGINNER

- Collect used eyeglasses and send them to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center.
- **Organize a braille, large print and audio book collection to benefit a local school, library or senior center.**
- Volunteer to create audio recordings of books and periodicals for people who are blind.

ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- **Work with local eye care professionals to provide a wide variety of community screenings including early childhood, school and all age’s vision screenings.**
- Utilizing the Lions Eye Health Program materials, host a public event to promote healthy vision and increase awareness of common eye diseases that can cause vision loss.
- Sponsor a World Sight Day event.
- Sponsor visually impaired students through camps, contests or other activities.
- Create a community arts program for children and adults who are visually impaired.
- Collaborate with an eye bank to promote the importance of corneal donations.
- Develop a directory of community resources and services available for people who are blind or have low vision.
- Volunteer at a recreational camp, rehabilitation or vocational training center for children or adults who are blind or visually impaired.
- Organize an inclusive sporting event for children with and without visual impairment.
- Host a fundraiser to purchase and donate white canes to people who are blind or visually impaired in your community.

ACT // ADVANCED

- Work with local employers to develop an employee vision screening program.
- Develop a coupon or voucher program with local optical shops for underserved populations to receive corrective eye wear at a reduced cost or for free.
- Design a transportation program for school children, working adults and seniors who are blind or have low vision.
- Host a “Beep Baseball” game or tournament.
- Support a guide dog training program through fundraising or voluntary labor.
- Develop an assistive technology library so people who have vision impairment can access resources as their needs change.
- Create a sensory garden with plants, water features, and sculptures that engage the senses of touch, smell, hearing and taste. Provide braille or audio recordings of signage.
- Partner with a school for the blind to support their curriculum, assistive technology and maintenance needs.
- Partner with an orientation and mobility specialist to provide ongoing support to teachers of inclusive classrooms and employers of inclusive workplaces.

