



Lions Clubs International

LIONS CHILDREN FIRST

Bringing
hope and
help to Children



Lions around the world are actively involved in helping children and youth thrive, especially those who are facing adverse circumstances. Lions are accustomed to putting children first—enabling them to grow, learn and enjoy a better quality of life. Whether assisting with a food drive, health screening or local reading program, Lions are dedicated to making a difference, bringing hope and help ...especially to children in need.

Lions Children First Program

Lions Children First provides suggestions for hands-on service projects in three key areas:

Food/shelter: to ensure that children have safe and healthy places in which to live and receive adequate nutrition to fight off illness and develop healthy minds and bodies.

Club projects can include:

- Organize a monthly food drive for the neighborhood food pantry.
- Volunteer at a homeless shelter or orphanage.
- Assist with a school lunch program.

Health: to provide children in need with adequate health care, to ensure their future growth and development.

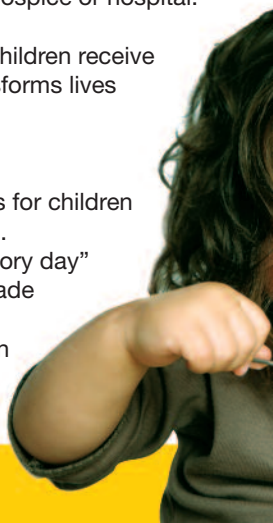
Club projects can include:

- Work with healthcare professionals to provide free hearing or dental screenings.
- Volunteer at camps for children with special needs.
- Collect soft toys for a children's hospice or hospital.

Education/Literacy: to ensure that children receive their right to education. Education transforms lives and breaks the cycle of poverty.

Club projects can include:

- Supply Braille or large print books for children who are blind or visually impaired.
- Develop a reading program or “story day” for pre-school and elementary grade school children.
- Team up with a youth organization to mentor at-risk youth.



Program Resources

Lions Children First can help your club to organize service projects that will benefit children in need, while providing rewarding experiences for your members. Program resources include:

- Activity Guide
- 25 Project Ideas to Serve Children
- Project Idea Sheets
- Community Poster
- Certificate of Appreciation
- Sample News Release
- Materials Order Form

You Can Help...

Children need today's Lions more than ever. You can make life better for a child who may be in need of food, shelter, health care and/or educational assistance. Join in our commitment to put children first.

- Your food or clothing drive reduces the time children are hungry or cold.
- Your visit to children at a hospital lessens their time to think about illness.
- Your vision or hearing screening project helps children to see, read and learn.
- Your befriending children with disabilities gives them more time to feel included.

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