



**We serve. Doing Whatever Necessary To Help Our Local Communities.**

Lions Clubs International (LCI) has more than 1.35 million members in more than 45,000 clubs worldwide. Founded in 1917, LCI is best known for fighting blindness – it’s part of our history as well as our work today.

**Lions give sight.**

By conducting vision screenings, equipping hospitals and clinics, distributing medicine and raising awareness of eye disease, Lions work toward their mission of providing vision for all. Lions have extended their commitment to sight conservation through countless local efforts and through their international SightFirst Program, which works to eradicate blindness.

**Lions serve youth.**

Our community projects often support local children and schools through scholarships, recreation and mentoring. Internationally, we offer many programs, including the Peace Poster Contest, Youth Camps and Exchange and Lions Quest.

**Lions awards disaster grants.**

Since 1968, the Lions Clubs Foundation has awarded more than \$660 million in grants to support Lions humanitarian projects around the world. Together, our Foundation and Lions are helping communities following natural disasters by providing for immediate needs such as food, water, clothing and medical supplies and aiding in long-term reconstruction.

**Lions Clubs Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act**

Senator Jerry Moran and Congressman Peter Roskam are sponsoring the Lions Club Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act, S. 1299/H.R. 2139, thanks to Sandy Spring Lions Club who formally proposed this opportunity to publicize our accomplishments and raise funds for the Lions Clubs International Foundation. LCI will work hard to push this bill into law in order to commemorate its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017. The commemorative coin bill would authorize the minting of 400,000 \$1 coins to celebrate years of empowering volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.

Lions Clubs International Foundation would use generated funds to further its programs for the visually impaired, disabled, youth and those affected by major disaster.

