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globally live with  
visual impairment<sup>1</sup>

### CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE



A lot can be done with US\$900,000. Like fund three new eye care centers, educate optometric students and professionals, or screen thousands for eye complications. Or US\$900,000 can transform

*all* of these life-changing aspirations into reality.

Despite government intervention, quality ophthalmic care remains limited in Taiwan's remote east, central, and south regions, where economic conditions are poor and medical resources as scarce – and scary – as one ophthalmologist per 37,000 residents<sup>2</sup>.

Though diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, age-related macular degeneration, and myopia among children are on the rise, there is hope. With US\$900,000+ in grant funding from Lions Clubs International

Foundation (LCIF), Lions continue progress begun years ago as they expand eye care services through a three-year project to provide Taiwan's underserved with access to affordable eye care and vision centers in two medical schools and a local hospital.

Lion and project member Jimmy Lin explained, "To sustain our progress, we're ensuring access to new facilities and also educating hundreds of optometric students, optometrists, and Lions to deliver quality care. Together, Lions and LCIF are helping Taiwan overcome challenges."

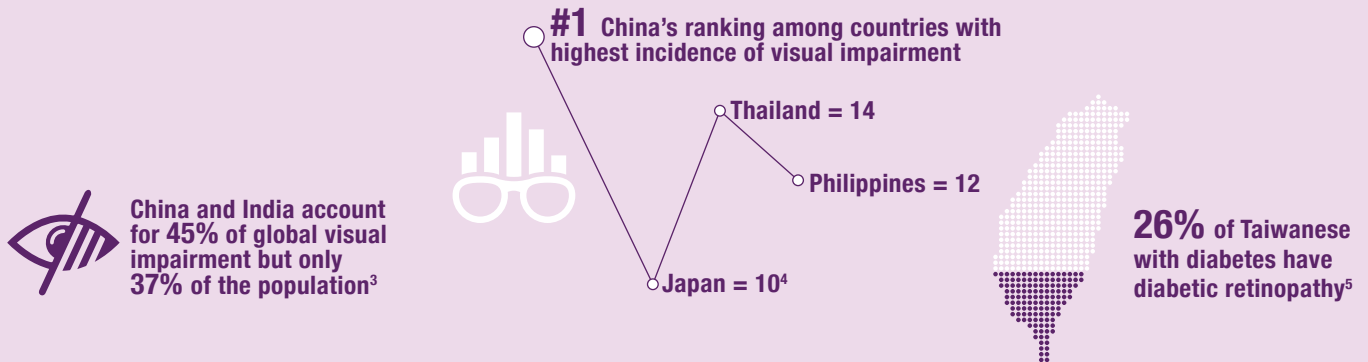
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# Vision



# Seeing Things Clearly

Vision has been at the forefront of Lions service for more than a century. Though tremendous strides have been made, work must continue, as statistically, vision-related issues look like this in this part of the world:



**THAT'S HERE.  
GLOBALLY, VISION CHALLENGES LOOK LIKE THIS:**

**1 billion** people live with vision impairment that could have been prevented or can be corrected<sup>6</sup>

**US\$14.3 billion** is needed to treat existing cases of refractive error and cataracts worldwide<sup>7</sup>

Unaddressed distance vision impairment in many low- and middle-income regions is **4 times higher** than in high-income regions<sup>8</sup>

## LCIF AND LIONS

### Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

More than US\$365 million in LCIF SightFirst grants have helped Lions show the world a brighter tomorrow. We will continue to be part of the solution, adding to this progress:

Visit [lcif.org/vision](https://lcif.org/vision) to learn more and access information about LCIF's **SightFirst, Matching,** and **District and Club Community Impact grants.**

**9.3 MILLION  
CATARACT SURGERIES  
PERFORMED**

**2.3 MILLION  
PROFESSIONAL EYE  
CARE AND COMMUNITY  
HEALTH WORKERS  
TRAINED**

**493 MILLION  
DOSES OF MEDICINE  
PROVIDED FOR  
TRACHOMA,  
ONCHOCERCIASIS**

SOURCES: <sup>1,6,7,8</sup>World Health Organization; <sup>2</sup>Taiwan Journal of Ophthalmology; <sup>3,4</sup>International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness; <sup>5</sup>Health Promotion Administration



**Lions Clubs International  
FOUNDATION**

LCIF is the grant-making body empowering Lions to create greater impact in their communities and around the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions; one hundred percent of every donation supports Lions service through LCIF grants and programs.

Vision is just one cause area supported by LCIF and *Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service*. With financial support from Lions and clubs worldwide, Campaign 100 is empowering Lions to increase service impact in vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts; fight the global epidemic of diabetes; and make important progress in expanded cause areas of childhood cancer, hunger, and the environment.

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