

Astoria Lions Club

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Astoria Lions Club was established in 1942 and is associated with Lions Clubs International.

The twenty-five member club meets each Tuesday at noon for lunch at the Astoria Elks Lodge at 11th and Exchange.

The major fundraiser for the Astoria Lions Club is the collection and recycling of newspapers.

With these funds we support our neighbors in Clatsop County by providing vision screening in our schools, eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need.

The Astoria Lions Club supports patient care through our donations to the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation.

We are part of Oregon Lions District 36-O which covers the Northwest portion of Oregon and then the Multiple District which covers Oregon and Northern California.

Lions Clubs International Objectives:

- To create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world.
- To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- To take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- To unite the Clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- To provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; providing that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by Club members.
- To encourage service-minded men and women to serve their community without personal financial reward, to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavor.
- Our main goal to achieve in Clatsop County is through the mission of the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, to screen, treat, save, and restore sight and hearing.
- We have participated with OLSHF since its inception in 1959 with their various programs including:
 - Mobile Health Screening Program – We participate in the annual “Project Homeless Connect” through Clatsop Community Action.
 - Patient Care
 - Mission Cataract Oregon
 - Roar! Hearing Assistance Programs
 - Lions Eyeglass Assistance Programs
 - LEAP Optical Finishing Lab
 - Eyeglass and Hearing Aid Recycling
 - Low Vision Clinic

Astoria Lions Club members have also gone on Visions Mission Trips in various parts of the world to examine and distribute eyeglasses.

How can you help the Astoria Lions Club:

You will find our Newspaper Recycling Station at the bottom of 31st Street in Astoria, look for the yellow collection sheds.

- We accept clean Newspapers
- Magazines
- Clean Office Paper
- Clean Shredded Paper

You can volunteer to help any Saturday morning at 8:30AM to load newspapers at our Recycling Station.

You will find Lions Mints in many financial institutions, contribute at those locations and enjoy a tasty mint.

You will find Eye Glass recycling boxes at opticians, libraries, senior centers, churches and the college, please recycle your glasses to help others see.

You can become a member of the Astoria Lions Club or help start a Branch Club in Cannon Beach, Seaside or Warrenton.

You can refer someone who needs help with vision or hearing to: Astoria Lions Club, P O Box 924, Astoria, OR 97103

Contact: Astoria Lions Club President, Charlene Larsen at 503-325-0590 for additional information on how to make a difference in your community or how to receive help.

Astoria Lions Club also participates in “Lions Vision Gift” the mission statement is: “Advancing transplanted, research and education to honor donors and their gifts of sight. Since 1975, Lions Vision Gift has provided the “Gift of Sight” for more than 30,000 people. We encourage folks to have an up to date donor card in their possession or if you or a loved one want to donate eye tissue to Lions Vision Gift donors can register online at www.donatelifeNW.org, go to your local DMV to place a “D” for Donor on your driver’s license. Our members have participated as Volunteer Couriers for eye tissue over the years.

Our Astoria Lions Club supports youth activities, prepared homeless hygiene kits, collected non-perishable food for the Clatsop County Regional Food Bank, supported Christmas shopping outings for families, been active supporters of our communities and partnered with others to help when there is a need for outreach to our fellow citizens.

We have supported and mentored Astoria High School Seniors as they fulfilled their community service for the High School Senior Project.

There are four Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce George Award recipients in the Astoria Lions Club. There are forty-year members and first year members and all work together to further our motto, We Serve.



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Motto:

The Lions Clubs International Motto is: We Serve.

The Astoria Lions Club has adopted the Ninth Street Park and do a monthly clean-up of the park grounds.

We participate in civic events that benefit others and provide our expertise in providing meals with our BBQ set-up.

We support and participate in the Christmas Basket Program together with the Astoria Lioness Club.

We serve at the District and State level as members of the State Convention Team, the Alert Team which educates Lions and others to prepare for disaster. We have served in the past in leadership roles at the District and State level.

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