

Staff Contact Information



**Kentucky Lions
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2025-2026 Important Dates

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME (all times Eastern)
July 4, 2025	Independence Day Observance	KLEF Office Closed	
July 19, 2025	Trustee Meeting / Orientation	Charles McDowell Center 8412 Westport Rd. Louisville, KY 40242	10 AM – 1 PM
August 14-24, 2025	Vision Screenings at KY State Fair	KY Fair & Expo Center, Louisville, KY	10 AM – 7 PM
September 1, 2025	Labor Day	KLEF Office Closed	
September 18, 2025	Give for Good Louisville	www.giveforgoodlouisville.org	12 AM – 11:59 PM
October 10, 2025	Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble	Juniper Hill Golf Course Frankfort, KY	11 AM -12 PM Lunch & Registration / 12:30 PM Shotgun Start
October 11, 2025	KLEF Trustee Meeting	Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation 301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd. Louisville, KY 40202	10 AM Start Time
Nov. 27-28, 2025	Thanksgiving Break	KLEF Office Closed	
December 2, 2025	Giving Tuesday	www.kylionseye.org/donate	12 AM – 11:59 PM
Dec. 15, 2025 - Jan. 4, 2026	KLEF Holiday Break	KLEF Office Closed	
January 19, 2026	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	KLEF Office Closed	
January 31, 2026	KLEF Trustee Meeting	TBD	10 AM Start Time
March 22, 2026	Mr. and Miss KY Basketball Awards Ceremony	Griffin Gate Marriott, Lexington, KY	TBD
April 25, 2026	KLEF State Convention Luncheon & KLEF Trustee Meeting	TBD	TBD
May 12, 2026	Kentucky Gives Day	www.kygives.org	12 AM – 11:59 PM

KLEF Trustee Responsibilities & Duties

- Be the KLEF representative in the Region from which they are elected and be an ambassador about KLEF in your community and across Kentucky and beyond.
- Serve a two-year term as a Trustee and remain active in the role. To be considered “active,” a Trustee must commit to attend* seventy-five percent (75%) of the Board of Trustees meetings each year** and serve on at least one Foundation committee as assigned by the Foundation President and must fulfil that commitment each year. (*Trustees may participate in and act at any meeting of the Board of Trustees using a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Participation in such meeting shall constitute attendance and presence in person at the meeting of the trustee so participating. **Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees (inclusive of the annual meeting) shall be held quarterly. Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by or at the request of the President, First Vice President, Secretary, or by any five (5) trustees of the Foundation.)
- Work with Club Presidents in their Region to ensure that one active Lion from each club is designated as that Club’s Representative to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. Secure the Name, Address, and Phone Numbers of all Club Representatives in their Region and forward the information to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation prior to the Fall meeting of the Board of Trustees.
- Contact each club within their Region and schedule an official visit (or have a designated representative make the visit) to present a program of information about the KLEF. KLEF will help provide up-to-date content for the presentation (see #5 for listing of some of the content). Make an official visit to each club within the Region each year.
- Be very knowledgeable about the following:
 - History of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation
 - Estate Planning/Planned Giving
 - Candy Days
 - KidSight Program, Vision Van Program, Patron Program, Holloran Program & KLEF’s Low Vision Clinic
 - Finis Davis Fellowship / Progressive Finis Davis Fellowship
 - Life Patron / Silver Patron / Gold Patron – levels of supporting the Patron Program
 - Memorials/Honorariums
 - Mr. & Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony
 - Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble
 - Other KLEF Fundraising Events and Opportunities and Other Ways to Financially Support KLEF
- Assure that information is presented and/or distributed to each club within the Region regarding the activities, needs, and fundraising projects of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation.
- Encourage clubs in the Region to make a memorial contribution to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation instead of sending flowers when a member passes away and encourage clubs in the Region to honor their President and/or other members, by making these Lions Finis Davis/Progressive Finis Davis Fellow and/or a Life Patron/Silver Patron/Gold Patron.
- Attend District Cabinet, Region and Zone Meetings and report on KLEF activities.
- Submit a written quarterly visitation and activities report to the KLEF 3rd Vice President prior to the 10th of the month during September, November, March, and May.
- Attend Trustee Orientation, complete training course and be a KLEF Certified Trustee each year.
- Personally support KLEF through a personally meaningful financial contribution each year.
- Be an active member of a Kentucky Lions Club.

KLEF Trustee Application

Contact Information

Name_____

Home Address_____

Organization/Company_____ Title_____

Are you retired?_____ If retired, when did you retire?_____

Birthplace (Optional)_____ Birth date (Year Optional)_____

Work Address_____

Work Phone_____ Cell Phone_____

Home Phone_____ Email_____

Spouse's Name_____ Spouse's Org./Company & Title_____

Children's names & ages_____

Why do you want to be a KLEF Trustee? _____

Please list current/past Board/Leadership experience with other nonprofit organizations_____

Are you a Kentucky Colonel? _____

History in Lionism

Lions Club Membership:

Current Club_____

Previous Club(s)_____

Offices Held:

Club Level_____

District Level_____

Multiple District/International Level_____

KLEF Trustee Club Visit Report

Report Due: September ____ November ____ March ____ June ____

Name of Trustee Completing Report: _____

District: K Y Region: 1 2 3 4

Submit Report To: 3rd Vice President Tony Bishop
PO Box 1536
Elizabethtown, KY 42702
ajb362@gmail.com
(270) 723-5984
(Please submit one report per each club visited)

Club Visited: _____ Date of Visit: _____

Select the Topics & Items Discussed with Club

KLEF History ____	Candy Days ____
KidSight Program ____	Vision Van Program ____
Estate Planning/Planned Giving ____	Finis Davis Fellowship/Progressive FD ____
Patron Program ____	Memorials / Honorariums ____
Holloran Program ____	20/20 Club ____
Low Vision Clinic ____	Mr. & Miss KY Basketball Awards
Ceremony__	
Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble ____	
Other KLEF Fundraising Events ____	Other Financial Ways to Support KLEF ____

List Activities and Comments by Club: _____

Our Mission:

The Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation provides vision services through education, detection, prevention, treatment and empowerment. Through collaborative partnerships, we enable greater independence and increased quality of life for all Kentuckians while focusing on children and adults in need.

Our Vision:

Building a better tomorrow by bringing individuals into a world of sight, independence and accomplishment.

Our Motto:

Your Vision is Our Mission.

Our Core Values:

In pursuing our mission and vision through quality services, we value and strive for greater integrity, respect, stewardship, leadership, diversity, effectiveness and collaboration.

Our History:

- 2025** June 2025 marked the 100th anniversary of Helen Keller's speech at the 1925 Lions Club Convention where she challenged Lions to become Knights of the Blind. Lions accepted the challenge and have worked end preventable blindness in many ways including creating organizations like the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. On June 9, 2025, Governor Andy Beshear presented a signed proclamation at the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation to honor this historic milestone. In February 2025, KLEF hosted the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our Low Vision Clinic. Since opening the doors to patients in November 2024, the Clinic has provided exams to 88 patients.
- 2024** In 2024, our 20/20 Club continued to gain new members, with over \$30,000 raised from all 20/20 Club members' monthly donations since it's inception in 2020. Our 2024 Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony was a great success, raising nearly \$38,000 net proceeds to support our mission. Our Low Vision Clinic saw it's first patients in November 2024 after nearly 2 years of planning. Dr. Andrea Smith joined our team as the low vision optometrist and Jennifer Gendeman as the low vision clinic scheduler and coordinator and several pieces of equipment were either purchased or donated thanks to several partners to help make the Clinic's opening possible.
- 2023** KLEF started 2023 with over 20,000 FREE vision screenings provided in the first half of the fiscal year for the first time since before the COVID-19 pandemic. In March of 2023, our 12th Annual Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony again broke a fundraising record for KLEF; raising more than \$53,000 net. In May, our generous supporters helped us to break another fundraising record during Kentucky Gives Day 2023; raising more than \$24,000 in just 24 hours. During the 2023 KLEF luncheon on May 22nd, KLEF announced the upcoming opening of a Low Vision Clinic which will be managed by KLEF and made possible by several partners and donations. We believe that these low vision services will be a great asset to the services that KLEF provides. Our 20/20 Club continues to gain new members and through 6/30/23, over \$25,000 has been raised from all 20/20 Club members' monthly donations.

- 2022** KLEF adopted our NEW logo in January 2022. We received a \$16,890.01 grant from the Kentucky Colonels to purchase the last two pieces of equipment needed to fully stock the NEW Vision Van. The NEW Vision Van will be ready and on the road starting in fiscal year 2022-2023. We hosted our first hybrid in-person and “virtual” Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony in March, raising a record \$42,627.19 net. Thanks to our generous supporters over \$10,800 was raised in 24 hours during the 2022 Kentucky Gives Day. We gained four new members of the 20/20 Club during the 2021-2022 fiscal year, and through 6/30/22 we have raised \$16,715 from 20/20 Club members’ monthly donations; we continue to recruit new members. KLEF staff was able to resume our KLEF State Tour in 2022, making a stop in Richmond to visit with the Richmond and Berea Lions Clubs and a stop in Cynthiana to visit their Club.
- 2021** We hosted our second “virtual” Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony in April, and raised \$20,961.37 net. KLEF received the following grants: \$75,000 grant from Louisville Downtown Lions Club toward the purchase of a new Vision Van and vision screening equipment, \$20,850 from the WHAS Crusade for Children to purchase 3 replacement Spot Vision Screener devices, \$19,452 from the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels to help purchase new vision screening equipment for the new Vision Van, \$20,000 from the Irvin F. & Alice S. Etscorn Foundation for Patron Program surgeries, and two grants from Delta Dental (\$5,000 and \$2,500). We received our NEW Vision Van in September 2021, after months of delays from Ford. Thanks to our generous supporters over \$8,100 was raised in 24 hours during the 2021 Give For Good Louisville fundraising campaign. KLEF published our first Cooking for the Cause Cookbook in 2021 and have sold over 250 copies. Our 7th Annual Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble was moved to Frankfort and had 86 golfers participate, raising nearly \$21,000.
- 2020** To kick off 2020, KLEF embarked on our first ever KLEF State Tour, visiting several Clubs before the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic, which halted the tour in mid-March. KLEF created the 20/20 Club that members can join by donating \$20 per month to the Foundation. KLEF had a record-breaking 24 hours raising over \$12,000 on KY Gives Day and we hosted our first-ever ‘virtual’ Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony in June. KLEF received \$268,511.05 from Mike & Faye Kouns Estate for general operations and programs.
- 2019** KLEF adopted new Mission, Vision, Motto and Core Values as listed on previous page. KLEF hired new Executive Director, Lindy Lamkin.
- 2018** KLEF received \$253,350.92 from Raymond Lutz Estate for the Patron Fund.
- 2017** In January, Eye Banks located in Lexington and Louisville merged to form the Kentucky Lions Eye Bank, an independent charitable entity. KLEF’s Patron Fund received a \$15,000 grant to help Jefferson County residents in need of eye surgeries.
- 2016** Record-breaking attendance at Mr. & Miss KY Basketball Awards Ceremony with over 862 attendees. Between Vision Van and KidSight, over 46,328 individuals were provided free vision screenings. (Vision Van: 21,325, KidSight: 25,003)

- 2015** More than 15,000 children received KidSight Screenings. MD43 received a LCIF grant enabling the creation of a partnership with the KY Head Start Association for the provision of free vision screenings to 20,000 Head Start children in the state, with KLEF coordinating the project.
- 2014** KLEF moved the location of the Mr. & Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony to Lexington, KY and more than 500 people attended. KLEF joined forces with the Bluegrass Sports Commission to manage the Kentucky All-Star Classic basketball game and moved the game to Transylvania University in Lexington, KY in June.
- 2013** KidSight program screened more than 10,500 children.
- 2012** Second Year Sponsorship from Ale-8-One becomes Sponsor of KY All-Star Basketball Games. WHAS Crusade and the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels support KidSight Program. LCIF Provides Matching Grants to Lions Clubs of Kentucky for KidSight cameras. The first annual Mr. & Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony was held in Louisville, KY.
- 2011** Steele-Reese Foundation Awards KLEF \$50,000 grant. WHAS Crusade for Children and SafeCo Insurance award grants for KidSight Cameras. Ale-8-One becomes Sponsor of KY All-Star Basketball Games.
- 2010** KLEF awarded a Matching Gift in the amount of \$50,000 to the University of Louisville Low Vision Clinic.
- 2009** KidSight Program purchased first Digital Camera from PediaVision, Inc.
- 2008** "Vision for the Future" Campaign reached a total amount raised of \$261,000. KLEF received a \$25,000 grant from the Kentucky Colonels. A new Digital Camera for the KidSight Program was purchased. The Eye Bank had a historical year with a record of 268 donors.
- 2007** KLEF matched \$50,000 for research equipment and began an Annual Campaign and a Service Endowment Campaign. KLEF received a \$22,000 grant from the Kentucky Colonels for KidSight.
- 2006** Clinic was established in Ashland: North East Lions Eye Clinic. KLEF gave \$1.7 million to Eye Research to be matched by State Bucks for Brains. KLEF hired a Development Director and received a \$24,000 grant from the Kentucky Colonels for KidSight.

- 2005** KLEF sold estate land it had received as a gift, resulting in more than \$96,000 being placed in the Patron Fund for assistance to applicants.
- 2004** The KidSight Program provided screening cameras throughout the state to find those children that have lazy eye and are unaware of it. The Eye Bank and KLEF Offices were renovated for \$70,000. KLEF matched \$50,000 for research equipment.
- 2003** KLEF began planning the KidSight program and applied for an LCI grant to help purchase screening cameras.
- 2002** The Vision Van was put on the road after more than \$153,000 was raised to purchase necessary equipment. It will be used to provide vision screenings throughout the state.
- 2001** Children's Eye Clinic \$5,000 donation.
- 2000** The Finis E. Davis display, which includes a great collection of gifts Finis E. Davis received from all over the world during his presidency term of Lions Clubs International, was dedicated. His family donated his collection, and the Louisville Downtown Lions Club (his home club) provided the display cases. The display can be seen in the atrium of the Kentucky Lions Eye Center anytime.
- 1999** Dedicated the Children's Eye Clinic - at a cost of over \$350,000. The Finis E. Davis statue was unveiled, which was given by the University of Louisville for his dedication.
- 1997** Lions raised \$4.8 million dollars for expansion to the Eye Institute and renamed it the Kentucky Lions Eye Center. The clinic was named in honor of Robert W. Rounsavall, Jr. who completed the building funding with a donation of over 1 million dollars. The building was dedicated to Past International President Lion Finis E. Davis.
- 1995** Clinic was established in Bowling Green called the South-Central Lions Eye Clinic.
- 1985** The Lions endowed a \$1 million research professorship chair.
- 1984** Eye Clinic was established at the University of Kentucky.
- 1981** Eye Bank was created at the University of Kentucky.

- 1968** The building called the Kentucky Lions Eye Research Institute was completed by the Lions at a cost of \$2.2 million. Eye research along with eye care and the eye bank were all housed together at that time.
- 1959** Lions of Kentucky adopted the Foundation as a State Project. The Lions of Kentucky have generously given to make this Foundation a major Lions Foundation in the Country.
- 1958** The Eye Bank was created at the University of Louisville, a charter member of the Eye Bank Association of America.
- 1956** The early eye clinic was created at Louisville General Hospital, now University Hospital in Louisville. This clinic is still in existence in the Kentucky Lions Eye Center.
- 1954** KLEF was incorporated.



By-Laws of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, Inc.

ARTICLE I

CORPORATE NAME; OFFICES

The name of the corporation is the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"). The Foundation's principal office is located at 301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd., Louisville, Kentucky 40202. The Foundation may have such other offices, either within or without the Commonwealth of Kentucky, as the business of the Foundation may require from time to time.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The Foundation is organized exclusively as a public charity for charitable purposes, as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The specific purposes of the Foundation shall be to solicit, collect and otherwise raise money for charitable purposes, and to expand, contribute, disburse and otherwise handle and dispose of the same for such purposes relating to the aims and goals of the Foundation and the International Association of Lions Clubs, a Section 501(c)(3) organization.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERS

The membership of the Foundation shall consist of those members in good standing with any qualifying Lions Club within Kentucky Multiple District 43, Inc. There shall be no dues payable to the Foundation by such members. The members shall only have such voting and other rights as are expressly provided for in these Bylaws. Members shall have such inspection rights, under KRS 273.233, as shall be established from time to time by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE IV

TRUSTEES

SECTION 1. GENERAL POWERS. The business and affairs of the Foundation shall be managed under the direction of its Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2. NUMBER, TENURE AND QUALIFICATIONS. The Board of Trustees shall consist of the following individuals:

- a) The following seven (7) officers of the Foundation, elected as set forth in Article V: the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Immediate Past President;
- b) The following nine (9) Council Trustees, including the Multiple District 43 Council Chairperson, the District 43K District Governor and its three (3) Vice District Governors, and the District 43Y District Governor and its three (3) Vice District Governors;
- c) Sixteen (16) District Trustees, elected as set forth below in Section 3 of this Article IV, including two (2) active members from each Region within each District of MD43;
- d) Three (3) Founders Trustees from the Louisville Downtown Lions Club appointed by the Club President and approved by the Club's Board of Directors;
- e) All present Directors and Officers of Lions Clubs International from MD43;
- f) Upon his or her affirmative request, which must be renewed annually, each former Director or Officer of Lions Clubs International from MD43; and
- g) Upon his or her affirmative request, which must be renewed annually, each Past President.

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To serve as trustee, each individual must be a member of the Foundation as set forth in Article III of these Bylaws.

SECTION 3. ELECTION AND TERM OF DISTRICT TRUSTEES.

- a) District Trustees shall be elected from each Region of each District within MD43 as set forth in Section 2(c) of this Article IV. Such District Trustees shall be elected by their District during its Annual Meeting in accordance with procedures approved by the District.
- b) Each such District Trustee shall be elected to serve a two (2) year term, and terms shall be staggered so that only one (1) District Trustee per Region in each District of MD43 is elected each year.
- c) Each candidate for District Trustee shall submit documentation demonstrating he/she has the support of their Lions Club and meet the requirements of Article III. The required documentation shall be submitted to the President and/or Secretary, or their designee, on a form provided by the Foundation. Once the time for submission of endorsements and documentation has elapsed, the Foundation shall provide a list of qualified candidates to the Nominating Committee for consideration no less than thirty (30) days prior to the District Convention of each respective District of MD43. In the event there are no endorsed candidates for District Trustee in a particular Region, the respective District Governor shall identify and recommend a qualified candidate within the District to the Board of Trustees for appointment to serve the required term as the Region's District Trustee.

SECTION 4. TERM OF OFFICE.

- a) Officers. The term of any officer shall coincide with the term set forth in Section 2 of Article V.
- b) Council Trustees. An individual serving as a Council trustee shall serve so long as he or she occupies the office designated in Section 2(b) of this Article IV.
- c) District Trustees. The term of District Trustees shall be as set out in Section 3(b) of this Article IV.
- d) Founders Trustees shall serve for a term of three (3) years and any Founder Trustee may succeed himself or herself so long as he or she is reappointed as set out in Article IV, Section 2(d).
- e) Past and Present Directors and Officers of Lions Club International from MD43 shall serve for one-year terms, renewable annually as provided in Article IV, Section 2(f) for up to ten (10) years after such individual ceases to be a Director or Officer of Lions Club International. Notwithstanding the foregoing and applicable only for eligible Trustees as of July 1, 2019, any Trustee who is a Trustee by virtue of Article IV, Section 2(f), the ten-year term limit shall begin on July 1, 2019.
- f) Past Presidents shall serve for one-year terms, renewable annually as provided in Article IV, Section 2(g), for up to five (5) years after such individual ceases to be the Immediate Past President. Notwithstanding the foregoing and applicable only in for Trustees as of July 1, 2019, the five-year term limit shall begin on July 1, 2019 for "active" Past Presidents. To be considered "active," a Trustee must commit to attend seventy-five percent (75%) of the Board of Trustees meetings each year and serve on at least one Foundation committee as assigned by the Foundation President and must fulfil that commitment each year.

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Trustees shall serve until the earlier of [i] if the trustee is serving for a defined term, the expiration of his or her term, or if later, at such time as his or her successor is elected and qualified for office; [ii] if serving in an ex officio position, if such individual ceases to occupy the office giving rise to his or her status as a trustee; [iii] his or her resignation as trustee by written notice to the Foundation; [iv] his or her death or permanent disability and as a result of such disability he or she is no longer able to perform his or her duties as trustee; or [v] his or her removal by the Board of Trustees, as provided below.

SECTION 5. RESIGNATION. Any member of the Board of Trustees may resign as trustee at any time by giving written notice to the Foundation.

SECTION 6. REMOVAL. Any member of the Board of Trustees may be removed [i] for any or no reason by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the trustees then in office, or [ii] for Cause, as defined below, by the affirmative vote of the majority of the trustees then in office. For purposes of this Article IV, "Cause" shall include, but not be limited to: [a] any act of personal dishonesty taken by the trustee in connection with his or her responsibilities as a trustee which causes injury to the Foundation, [b] the trustee's conviction of a felony or of any crime that causes injury to the Foundation, [c] the trustee's failure to follow the policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees, [d] violation of the trustee's fiduciary duty, or [e] excessive absences from meetings of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 7. ANNUAL MEETING. The Foundation's annual meeting shall be held during the MD43 Annual Convention at which the status and state of the Foundation shall be given by the President and the Executive Director. At the annual meeting, the Board shall elect trustees and officers of the Foundation, and address any other business as may properly come before the Board.

SECTION 8. QUARTERLY MEETINGS. Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees (inclusive of the annual meeting) shall be held quarterly, at such times and at such locations as the Board may from time to time designate, for the purpose of transacting any business as may come before the meeting. Annual reports, budgets and plans shall be addressed at a regular meeting at least once a year.

SECTION 9. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by or at the request of the President, First Vice President, Secretary, or by any five (5) trustees of the Foundation. Such meeting shall be held at the principal corporate office of the Foundation or, if different, at the place, within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, designated by the person or person calling the special meeting.

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SECTION 10. NOTICE. Notice of any regular meeting (including the annual meeting) shall be in writing and delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting in question. Notice of any special meeting shall be in writing and delivered at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting in question. For such purposes, delivery may be by personal delivery, by U.S. mail (in which case such notice shall be deemed delivered when deposited in the United States mail in a sealed envelope properly addressed, with first class postage thereon prepaid), by email (with deemed delivery when actually sent by email to the proper address) or by facsimile transmission (with deemed delivery when actually sent by facsimile transmission to the proper address). Any trustee may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a trustee at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a trustee attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Any notice required hereunder shall state the time and place of the meeting. Except as provided in Article X of these Bylaws, neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of any annual, regular, or special meeting of the Board of Trustees, need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting.

SECTION 11. QUORUM. A majority of the voting members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Trustees, provided that if less than a majority of the trustees are present at said meeting, a majority of the trustees present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

SECTION 12. MANNER OF ACTING. Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, the act of the majority of the trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the act of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 13. CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. The President shall serve as chairperson of the board and shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Trustees. In his or her absence, the President or the Board of Trustees may appoint one of the Vice Presidents to preside at such meetings.

SECTION 14. VACANCIES. Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Trustees shall be filled upon the vote of a majority of the remaining members of the Board of Trustees in office.

SECTION 15. COMPENSATION. No trustee shall receive compensation for his or her services as trustee; however, any reasonable expenses incurred by any trustee by reason of his or her duties or responsibilities as such may be paid by the Foundation.

SECTION 16. INFORMAL ACTION. Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the Board of Trustees or of a committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if a consent, in writing, setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all of the trustees, or by all of the members of the committee, as the case may be. Such consent shall have the same effect as a unanimous vote.

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SECTION 17. REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS. Trustees may participate in and act at any meeting of the Board of Trustees through the use of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Participation in such meeting shall constitute attendance and presence in person at the meeting of the trustee so participating.

SECTION 18. ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER. Board of Trustee and committee meetings shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order to the extent not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or applicable law.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. CLASSES. The Foundation shall have the following board officers: President, three (3) Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer, and the following corporate officer: Executive Director, and may have such other officers with such duties as the Board of Trustees may determine. All such officers shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article V. Any two board offices may be held by the same individual with the exception of the President and a Vice President. No officer and/or member of the MD43 Council of Governors shall be eligible to serve as an officer of the Foundation during the same time that they are serving as an officer or member of the MD 43 Council of Governors.

SECTION 2. ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE. The Nominations and Development Committee shall identify a qualified candidate for each office and submit the nominations in accordance with the schedule for electing officers as outlined in the Policies and Procedures Manual. Each officer shall take office on the first day of July of each year and service for a term of one year or until his or her successor is elected and takes office.

SECTION 3. REMOVAL. All officers shall be elected and may be removed, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees in office. Removal as an officer shall also result in removal from the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 4. VACANCIES. A vacancy in any officer position may be filled at any special or regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. In the event of a vacancy in any office other than that of President, such vacancy shall be filled temporarily by appointment by the President until such time as the Board of Trustees shall fill the vacancy. Vacancies occurring in offices of officers appointed at the discretion of the Board of Trustees may be filled as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

SECTION 5. PRESIDENT. The President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties in that capacity as may be prescribed by the Board of Trustees from time to time.

SECTION 6. VICE PRESIDENTS. The Vice Presidents shall perform all duties incident to the office of Vice President and such other duties in that capacity as may be prescribed by the President or the Board of Trustees from time to time. In the President's absence, by rank, the Vice Presidents shall perform the duties of the President.

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SECTION 7. SECRETARY. The Secretary shall [a] keep or cause to be kept the minutes of the Board of Trustees meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose; [b] either directly or by delegation, see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; [c] ensure that the Foundation maintains its corporate records; and [d] in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Trustees. The Secretary may be assisted by an Assistant Secretary, who may be an employee of the Foundation.

SECTION 8. TREASURER. The Treasurer shall provide oversight regarding the financial affairs of the Foundation and submit periodic and annual financial reports to the Board at each Board meeting. The Treasurer shall serve as Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, shall oversee development and execution of financial plans to manage the resources of the Foundation, including the maintenance of full and accurate accounts of the finances of the Foundation in books and records, and shall serve as the Board's primary contact for the Foundation's annual audit. The Treasurer shall, in general, perform, all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the President or by the Board of the Trustees. The Treasurer may be assisted by an Assistant Treasurer, who may be an employee of the Foundation.

SECTION 9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. The Executive Director will direct and oversee all ongoing operations and activities of the Foundation, and will report to the Board of Trustees. In addition, the Executive Director will supervise and oversee the strategic and operational business affairs of the Foundation and will [a] prepare an annual budget for approval by the Board of Trustees; [b] prepare, develop and recommend policies, procedures and guidelines for the Foundation; and [c] oversee the Foundation's personnel, and establish and carry out personnel policies as approved by the Board of Trustees. In addition, the Executive Director shall perform such other duties as from time to time assigned to him or her by the President or by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. COMMITTEES GENERALLY. The Foundation shall have eight (8) standing committees, which shall be the Executive Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Audit Committee, the Governance Committee, the Nominations and Development Committee, the Revenue and Fundraising Committee, the Service and Collaborations Committee and the Long-Range Advisory Committee.

SECTION 2. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Foundation, all current District Governor Trustees, and the Immediate Past President. Except as provided by law or these Bylaws, the Executive Committee shall have and may exercise such powers as may be delegated to it by the Board of Trustees. All actions taken by the Executive Committee shall be promptly reported to the Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee shall meet at such times as shall be determined by the President, who shall serve as its chair. The Executive Committee shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings and report the same to the Board of Trustees no later than the next regular meeting of the board.

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SECTION 3. THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE. The purpose of the Budget and Finance Committee is to oversee the accounting and financial reporting processes of the Foundation, review the budget and financial statements of the Foundation, oversee the Foundation's investments in accordance with the investment policy, and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees with regard to financial matters and policies. The chair of the Budget and Finance Committee shall be the Treasurer. Meetings of the Budget and Finance Committee may be called by the Treasurer or the President.

SECTION 4. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE. The Audit Committee shall oversee the annual audit of the Foundation and the chair of that committee shall, in conjunction with the outside auditor, present the annual audit at a regular meeting for approval by the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 5. THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE. The Governance Committee shall be responsible for periodic review of the Bylaws, policies and procedures, and conflict of interest policies, advising the Board of Trustees on actual or potential conflict of interest matters, and such other matters as are delegated to it by the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee. The Governance Committee shall have a subcommittee, called the Liaison Sub-Committee, which shall serve as a vehicle for communicating with the University of Louisville to address issues of common interest, to explore opportunities for collaboration. The Liaison Sub-Committee shall consist of three (3) members, at least two of whom shall be members of the Governance Committee.

SECTION 6. THE NOMINATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. The Nominations and Development Committee shall help to identify, recruit and retain qualified Foundation officers, trustees and committee members, while also assisting in the planning, development and implementation of appropriate orientation, education and training for trustees, officers and committee members. In carrying out this function, the Nominations and Development Committee shall consider such factors as (1) diversity of business, professional, and industry experience, background and specialized skills, (2) diversity of race, ethnicity and gender, (3) diversity of age, education and socioeconomic status, (4) demonstrated community leadership and involvement, and (5) potential conflicts of interest. The Nominations and Development Committee shall also establish and review criteria and procedures, subject to ultimate approval of the Board of Trustees, whereby the performance and ethical standards of Foundation officers, trustees and committee members may be measured and managed. If requested by the Board of Trustees, it shall submit a slate of candidates for Foundation officers, trustees and committee members for election to office.

SECTION 7. THE REVENUE AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE. The Revenue and Fundraising Committee shall assist the Executive Director with creation and implementation of the Foundation's financial resource plan and strategies to acquire adequate funding. Excepting investment oversight, the Revenue and Fundraising Committee shall oversee and seek to enhance and expand all revenue generating and fundraising activities, programs and initiatives of the Foundation, including trustee support, individual donations and corporate giving; annual fund and long-term capital campaigns, fundraising events; estate planning development; and grant applications.

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SECTION 8. THE SERVICE AND COLLABORATIONS COMMITTEE. The Service and Collaborations Committee shall assist the Executive Director in seeking to maintain the Foundation's reputation for excellence throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a provider of diverse vision services, of information and of referrals in meeting its mission statement of enabling greater independence and increased quality of life through vision education, detection, prevention, treatment and empowerment services, programs and initiatives. The Service and Collaborations Committee shall have a subcommittee called The Holloran Trust Sub-Committee, which in conjunction with The Holloran Trust Advisory Committee shall be responsible for overseeing the Foundation's administration of The Holloran Trust in pursuit of its charitable mission. The Holloran Trust Sub-Committee shall consist of three (3) Founders Trustees from the Louisville Downtown Lions Club. The Service and Collaborations Committee shall have a subcommittee called The Patron Sub-Committee, which shall be responsible for overseeing the Foundation's administration of The Patron Trust Fund in pursuit of its charitable mission.

SECTION 9. THE LONG-RANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. The Long-Range Advisory Committee shall provide the Foundation advice, guidance, assistance, and leadership, as requested by the President, Executive Committee, and/or Board, particularly in regard to the Executive Director's development and annual updating of the Foundation's long-range plan to ensure continued relevance, effectiveness, financial stability, and growth of services.

SECTION 10. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT AND SIZE. Excepting the Executive Committee and advisory committees, each committee shall consist of from three (3) to eight (8) members, with its members appointed by the Board of Trustees or, if so delegated by the Board of Trustees, by the President. With the exception of the Executive Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee, the chair of each committee shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees or, if so delegated by the Board of Trustees, by the President.

SECTION 11. COMMITTEE MEETINGS. Except as otherwise provided, meetings of committees (including each subcommittee) shall be held at such times and places as shall be fixed by the President, by the respective committee chair, or by vote of a majority of all of the members of the committee. Written notice shall be given to all members of the committee not less than three (3) days before each meeting. Written minutes of the proceedings shall be kept at all committee meetings and, after approval by the committee, shall be submitted at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. Any committee member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a committee member at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a committee member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

SECTION 12. QUORUM AND MANNER OF ACTING. Unless otherwise provided by resolution of the Board of Trustees, a majority of all of the members of a committee (including each subcommittee) shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee. With the exception of the Executive Committee, which shall consist only of board members, any other board committee may have non-board members on the committee so long as (a) the board members on such committee outnumber the non-board members, and (b) committee action shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of board members on such committee.

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SECTION 13. TERM OF OFFICE. Each committee and subcommittee member shall serve until the next annual Board of Trustee meeting or, if later, until his or her successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member is removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.

SECTION 14. ADVISORY COMMITTEES. The Foundation may have such advisory committees as it deems in its best interest. Any such committee shall be advisory only and shall have no authority to bind the Foundation legally or to authorize the payment of monies or the incurrence of debt or expenditures of the Foundation. Members of advisory committees need not be members of the Board of Trustees. Any such committee shall be established and members appointed thereto in such manner as is established by the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 15. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL. So long as they are not inconsistent with the Corporation's Articles of Incorporate or these Bylaws, the duties of each committee and subcommittee may be further described in the Foundation's Policies and Procedures Manual, as approved by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VII

CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS

SECTION 1. CONTRACTS. The Board of Trustees may authorize any officer or officers, including any board officer, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instruments in the name of and on behalf of the Foundation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

SECTION 2. LOANS. No loan shall be contracted on behalf of the Foundation, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Trustees. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

SECTION 3. CHECKS, DRAFTS, ORDERS, ETC. All checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Foundation shall be signed by such officer or officers, including any board officer, of the Foundation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Trustees or as provided in these Bylaws.

SECTION 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS. All funds of the Foundation not otherwise utilized shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Foundation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Trustees may select, and such funds shall be invested in accordance with policies adopted by the Board of Trustees.

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ARTICLE VIII

CORPORATE RECORDS AND REPORTS

The Foundation shall maintain the following records at its principal office:

- a) Minutes of all meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee and committees of the Board of Trustees, together with all other meetings of members of the Foundation indicating the time and place of holding such meetings, whether regular or special, how called, the notice given, and the names of those present and the proceedings thereof;
- b) Adequate and correct books and records of account, including accounts of its properties and business transactions and accounts, assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, and gains and losses; and
- c) A copy of the Foundation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX

WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice whatsoever is required to be given under the provision of these Bylaws, or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, or under the provisions of the Corporation laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person, or persons, entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be amended, altered, changed, added to or repealed by the affirmative vote of a two-thirds of the Board of Trustees if notice of the proposed amendment, alteration, change, addition or repeal be contained in the notice of the meeting to the Board of Trustees.

These Bylaws were amended by vote of the Trustees at their regular meeting held on May 20, 2023, with the effective date July 1, 2023.

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary

KLEF Conflict of Interest Policy

Article I – Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to protect the tax-exempt status of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or trustee of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation (KLEF) or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state or federal laws governing conflict of interests applicable to nonprofit or charitable organizations.

Article II – Definitions

1. Interested Person – Any trustee, principal officer, or member of a committee with trustee delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined herein, is an interested person.
2. Financial Interest – A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family has:
 - a) An ownership or investment in any entity with which the KLEF has a transaction or arrangement.
 - b) A compensation arrangement with KLEF or any entity or individual with which KLEF has a transaction or arrangement.
 - c) A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which KLEF is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.
3. Compensation includes direct or indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.
4. A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 3, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict only if KLEF Executive Committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

Article III – Procedures

1. Duty to Disclose – In connection with any action or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the Executive Committee which has Board of Trustees approval to consider the proposed transaction or arrangement.
2. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists. After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he or she shall leave the Executive Committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining Executive Committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists by majority vote.

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3. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest

- a) An interested person may make a presentation to the Executive Committee but after the presentation he or she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
- b) The chairperson of the Executive Committee shall if appropriate appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement so as to avoid a conflict of interest.
- c) After exercising due diligence, the Executive Committee shall determine whether KLEF can obtain with reasonable efforts a more reasonable advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
- d) If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the Executive Committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested members whether the transaction or arrangement is in KLEF's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair or reasonable. In conformity with the above determination the Executive Committee shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction arrangement.

2. Violations of the Conflict of Interest Policy

- a) If the Executive Committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
- b) If, after hearing the member's response and making further investigation as warranted by the circumstance, the Executive Committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

Article IV – Records of Proceedings

1. The Minutes of the Executive Committee shall contain:

- a) The names of the persons, who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present and the Executive Committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest fact existed.
- b) The names of the persons who were present for the discussion and votes relating to the transaction or arrangements, the content of discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

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Article V – Compensation

1. KLEF does not compensate any member of the Executive Committee, except for reimbursement for minor expenses incurred by the member which must be duly authorized by a majority of the Executive Committee.
2. In the event a voting member seeks reimbursement for minor expenses incurred by that member, then that member shall not participate in a vote by the Executive Committee on the authorization of such reimbursement.

Article VI – Annual Review

At the beginning of each term of office, each trustee and all members who is a member of the Executive Committee and all officers shall review this Conflict of Interest Policy and shall sign a statement acknowledging such person has:

1. Received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy (or acknowledge he or she was provided an opportunity to obtain a copy of said policy and thereby waived obtaining a copy)
2. Has read and understands the policy
3. Has agreed to comply with the policy
4. Understands that KLEF is a charitable foundation and in order to maintain its Federal Tax Exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

To ensure KLEF operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, the Board of Trustees will review this policy on an annual basis to verify it is in compliance with the charitable purposes of the KLEF.

Said review shall include:

1. Whether any compensation for minor expenses are reasonable and the result of arm's length bargaining.
2. Whether the authorization for payment of such minor expenses is reflected in the minutes of the Executive Committee records after being properly voted on by the Executive Committee.

In conducting this annual review the Board of Trustees may, but not need, use outside advisors. If outside experts or advisors are used, their use shall not relieve the Board of Trustees of its responsibility to ensure compliance with the charitable purposes for which KLEF was created and compliance with laws under which KLEF operates. In the event the Board of Trustees deems it necessary, this policy may be modified pursuant to the Bylaws of KLEF.

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Compliance Statement

Pursuant to the Article I1 of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation's Conflict of Interest Policy

I, the undersigned, _____ (Please Print Name), being a KLEF Trustee member and/or the charitable foundation's Executive Committee member, do now and hereby sign this statement acknowledging, as follows:

- 1) I have received and reviewed during the current fiscal year a copy of the charitable foundation's Conflict of Interest Policy (or acknowledge I was provided an opportunity to obtain a copy of said policy, but waived receiving the same).
- 2) I read and understand the policy. ☐
- 3) I agree to comply with the policy. ☐
- 4) I understand KLEF is a charitable foundation and in order to maintain its Federal Tax Exemption status it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I the undersigned have affixed my signature on the ____ day of _____, 2025.

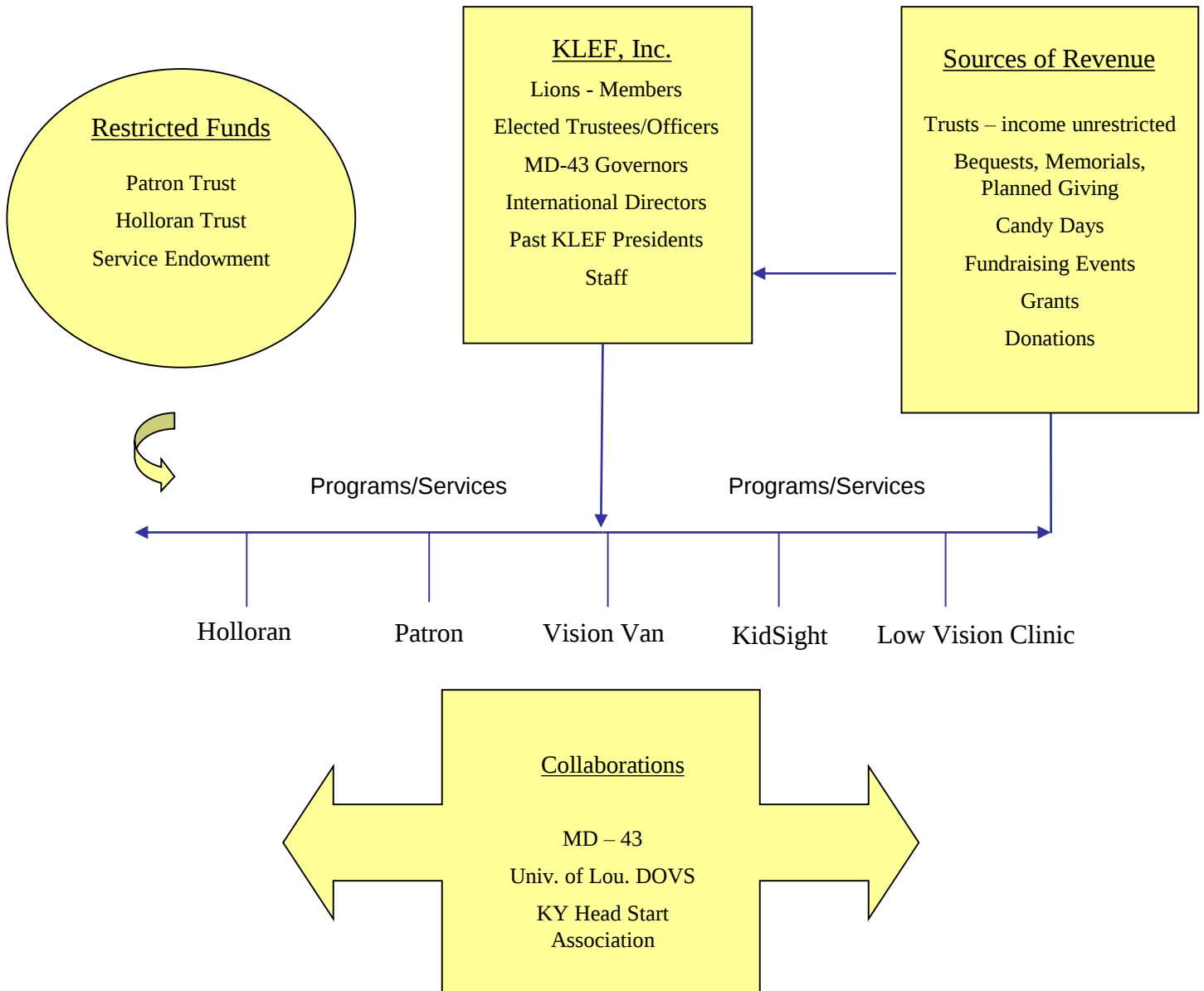
(Signature)

AS WITNESSED BY:

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

KLEF Corporate Structure



KLEF Committee Structure

PRESIDENT

➤ Executive Committee

1st Vice
President

2nd Vice
President

3rd Vice
President

- Audit Committee
- Budget and Finance / Investments Committee
- Long-Range Advisory Committee
- Governance Committee
- Nominations and Development Committee
- Service and Collaborations Committee
- Revenue and Fundraising Committee

KLEF Fundraising / Development

KLEF Annual Fundraisers



Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony

- Each year at the end of basketball season, KLEF announces the top high school basketball players in the state and celebrates their accomplishments at this annual Awards Ceremony event. Anyone can purchase tickets, and all funds raised go to support the KLEF general fund.
- KLEF has announced Mr. Kentucky Basketball since 1954.
- KLEF has announced Miss Kentucky Basketball since 1976.
- For more information, please visit www.kylionseye.org



Kentucky Gives Day

- Each Spring, Kentucky Gives Day is an opportunity for Kentuckians to come together to make donations to Kentucky charities in an effort to raise as much money as possible in 24 hours. Donations can be made by individuals, Clubs, and businesses. Matching gift donations are also accepted to maximize the success.
- Donations accepted on Kentucky Gives Day support KLEF general fund.
- For more information, please visit www.kygives.org.



Give for Good Louisville

- Each Fall, the Community Foundation of Louisville's Give For Good Louisville provides residents and non-residents with this unique opportunity to support and give back to nonprofits based in Louisville, KY. During this 24-hour online giving day there are 500+ participating nonprofits that make our community a great place to live, work, and play. Donations can be made by individuals, Clubs, and businesses. Matching gift donations are also accepted to maximize the success.
- For more information, please visit www.giveforgoodlouisville.org

Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble

- Each October, KLEF hosts the Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble, which is a fun day for Lions and non-Lions to compete on the course and help raise money to support the KLEF general fund.
- Sponsorship opportunities are available, as well as individual & team registrations.
- For more information, please visit www.kylionseye.org



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Easy Ways for Anyone to Support KLEF Year-round

Cooking for the Cause Cookbook

- In 2021 KLEF published our first cookbook, "Cooking for the Cause".
- Copies are available for anyone to purchase.
- Discounts are available for Clubs or individuals who want to purchase 25+ copies.
- Visit www.ky lionseye.org/cookbook to order or to learn more.

GiveBHG

- Visit GiveBHG.com in order to purchase BHG gift cards.
- Select a BHG gift card of any denomination.
- Select Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation as your chosen charity.
- Your gift card will be sent in the mail or electronically and KLEF will receive 20% of your purchase amount as a donation.
- BHG gift cards can be used at any of the Bluegrass Hospitality concepts, including 19 different locations of Drake's, Malone's, Harry's American Bar & Grill, OBC Kitchen, and Aqua Sushi. Various locations are in Louisville, Lexington Nicholasville and Florence, KY; Knoxville, Chattanooga, Bristol and Franklin, TN; Indianapolis, IN; Huntsville, AL; and Burlington, NC.



Kroger

- Go to Kroger.com and register your Kroger Plus Card.
- You will need to create an account using your email address.
- Select Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation under 'Community Rewards'.
- The amount donated varies based on how much is spent with KLEF registered cards vs. other organizations, so spread the word to everyone you know that shops at Kroger.



Become a Friend of the Foundation and Join our 20/20 Club!

- To ensure the long-term success of the Foundation, we invite individuals to become Friends of the Foundation by joining our 20/20 Club.
- To join, simply setup your \$20 monthly tax-deductible donation to KLEF using a credit or debit card by using the form below or contact KLEF to set up a recurring electronic transfer from your checking account.
- Upon joining the 20/20 Club, you will receive a token of our gratitude to welcome you. Plus, you will know that your recurring gifts are helping provide a spark of hope to those in need!



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Easy Ways for Anyone to Support KLEF Year-round

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20/20 CLUB

FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION

To become a member of the 20/20 Club, simply visit: www.kylionseye.org/2020club. Please contact KLEF staff by calling 502-583-0564 to make arrangements to join the 20/20 Club with cash or check payments.

All current 20/20 Club members are listed below (as of 6/26/2025), and they are also listed on our website; future members will be added to the website listing as they become Friends of the Foundation.

As of June 26, 2025, our amazing **20/20 Club members** have collectively donated **over \$46,300** in support of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation's mission!

Your name could be next when you become a member of the 20/20 Club!

Chuck Carlson	Jeremy Prince	Mark Fietsch	Col. Ronald G. Forrester
Lindy Lamkin	Mac Ferguson	Gary Logan	Nancy Pence
Mark Webster	Jeff Lorenzen*	Dr. Carolyn Watson	Clay Diamond
Dave Satterly	Shea Nickell	Carol Hollander	Carolyn Grace
Tom VanEtten**	Richard Rogers	Ramon Buntin**	Lance Turlington
Guy Hollander	Judy Wright*	Verna Sharp	Aaron Witten
Phyllis Carlson	Fred Wright	James Weise	Linda Crabtree
John J. Johnson, III**	David Moose	Andrew Clay**	James Williams
Cynthia Ferguson	Pam Elrod	Gary Sensabaugh*	Randy Morris
George Lonneman	Marsha Pater	Shirley Moore	Beth Morris
Dale Barrett	Carol Dahmke**	Andrea "Nikie" Walker**	Dr. Ken Wolf
Gil Wentzel		Andrei' Tunsil	Pam Powers

* Denotes individual has passed away.

** Denotes individual has ended their 20/20 Club contributions.

KLEF Fundraising / Development

Ways that Clubs can Support KLEF

Candy Days

- Candy Days is a Past District Governors Association project started in 1970. Since inception this program has raised over \$957,500 for the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation.
- Lions Clubs choose various locations like shopping centers, grocery stores, roadblocks, etc. and club members give away candy in return, members accept donations. Half of the proceeds go to the Lions Club's charity account and half is sent to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation.

Donations

- At any time, Clubs can make a donation to the KLEF general fund or to support a specific program.
Please note on the memo line of check what the donation is for and mail the check to KLEF at 301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd., Louisville, KY 40202.
- Donations can also be made online by visiting www.kylionseye.org/donate.

Give recognitions to your fellow club members or community members

- Your club can name a Lion or community member a Finis Davis Fellow or Progressive Finis Davis Fellow by submitting a Finis Davis/Progressive Finis Davis application along with a donation.
 - Finis Davis Fellow - \$500 donation
 - Progressive Finis Davis Fellow - \$1,000+ donation
- Your club can name a Lion or community member a Life Patron, Silver Patron or Gold Patron with a donation to the Patron Program.
 - Life Patron - \$100 donation
 - Silver Patron - \$500 donation
 - Gold Patron - \$1,000 donation

Memorials / Honorariums

- Clubs or individuals can make donation to KLEF in memorial and / or in honor of someone.
- Please include name and address of the person(s) that you want to receive notice of your donation.
- KLEF sends thank you notes to the donor and to the family of the deceased (if name and address is provided).

KLEF Online Resources

KLEF Website – www.kylionseyeye.org

About Us

- Link to make online donations.
- List of current Executive Board members.
- Contact information for KLEF staff members.

Programs

- Detailed information listed for the KLEF programs, including any paperwork, forms or applications pertaining to each program:
 - KidSight
 - Vision Van
 - Patron Program
 - Holloran Program
 - Low Vision Clinic
 - Louisville Lions Club Eyeglass Programs
 - Ways to Recycle Glasses

Get Involved

- Detailed information listed for how individuals or Clubs can get involved with KLEF, including links to upcoming events such as:
 - Mr. and Miss Kentucky Basketball Awards Ceremony
 - Drive 4 Sight Golf Scramble

Lions Info

- Detailed information listed specifically for Lions Club members, including paperwork, applications and forms for:
 - Vision Screenings at the Kentucky State Fair
 - KidSight Program
 - Vision Van Volunteers
 - Club Survey Link (<https://www.kylionseyeye.org/survey>)
 - Lions Recognition
 - Finis Davis/Progressive Fellowship Application
 - Life Patron
 - Trustees
 - Club Visitation Forms
 - Trustee Application Form
 - Committee Selection Form

KLEF Online Resources

KLEF Website – www.kylionseye.org

News

- Find the latest updates and news from KLEF at this link.

Donate

- By clicking this link, individuals can donate directly to KLEF through our secure website with a debit card or credit card.



The image shows the top portion of the KLEF website. At the top is a navigation bar with links: HOME, ABOUT US, PROGRAMS, GET INVOLVED, LIONS INFO, and DONATE. Below this is a large banner featuring a smiling child and the text "Your Vision is Our Mission". To the left of the banner is the KLEF logo. Below the banner is the "Our Story" section, which includes a paragraph about the foundation's history and a "Learn More" button. To the right of the text are three small images: a group of men in suits, a building under construction, and a modern building.

HOME ABOUT US PROGRAMS GET INVOLVED LIONS INFO **DONATE**



Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation

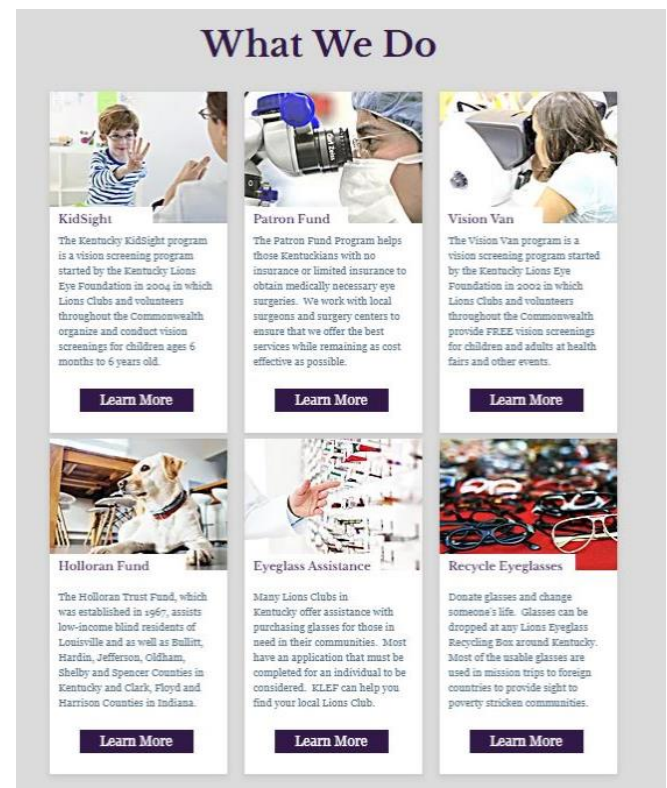
Your Vision is Our Mission

Our Story

Founded in 1954, The Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation (KLEF) is a charitable non-profit organization whose mission is to provide vision services through education, detection, prevention, treatment and empowerment. Through collaborative partnerships, we enable greater independence and increased quality of life for all Kentuckians while focusing on children and adults in financial need.

The Foundation's activities are supported through funds contributed by Lions & Lioness Clubs, individual members, businesses, benefactors, fundraising events, memorials and bequests.

[Learn More](#)



The image shows the "What We Do" section of the KLEF website. It features a grid of six program cards, each with a title, a brief description, and a "Learn More" button. The programs are: KidSight, Patron Fund, Vision Van, Holloran Fund, Eyeglass Assistance, and Recycle Eyeglasses. Each card includes a small image related to the program.

What We Do



KidSight

The Kentucky KidSight program is a vision screening program started by the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation in 2004 in which Lions Clubs and volunteers throughout the Commonwealth organize and conduct vision screenings for children ages 6 months to 6 years old.

[Learn More](#)



Patron Fund

The Patron Fund Program helps those Kentuckians with no insurance or limited insurance to obtain medically necessary eye surgeries. We work with local surgeons and surgery centers to ensure that we offer the best services while remaining as cost effective as possible.

[Learn More](#)



Vision Van

The Vision Van program is a vision screening program started by the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation in 2002 in which Lions Clubs and volunteers throughout the Commonwealth provide FREE vision screenings for children and adults at health fairs and other events.

[Learn More](#)



Holloran Fund

The Holloran Trust Fund, which was established in 1967, assists low-income blind residents of Louisville and as well as Bullitt, Hardin, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby and Spencer Counties in Kentucky and Clark, Floyd and Harrison Counties in Indiana.

[Learn More](#)



Eyeglass Assistance

Many Lions Clubs in Kentucky offer assistance with purchasing glasses for those in need in their communities. Most have an application that must be considered. KLEF can help you find your local Lions Club.

[Learn More](#)



Recycle Eyeglasses

Donate glasses and change someone's life. Glasses can be dropped at any Lions Eyeglass Recycling Box around Kentucky. Most of the usable glasses are used in mission trips to foreign countries to provide sight to poverty stricken communities.

[Learn More](#)

To request changes / updates / additions to the KLEF website, please contact Jennifer Hunt Spurling. (JenniferHunt@kylionseye.org or 270-999-4887)

KLEF Online Resources

KLEF Social Media - Networking

Follow, Like & Share our info:

KLEF Facebook (www.facebook.com/kylionseye)

KLEF Instagram (@kylionseye)

Mr. & Miss KY Basketball Facebook (www.facebook.com/mrandmisskybball)

Mr. & Miss KY Basketball Instagram (@Mr_MissKYBball)

Mr. & Miss KY Basketball Twitter (@Mr_MissKYBball)

KLEF sends out a monthly newsletter. To subscribe, email JenniferHunt@kylionseye.org

Importance of Social Media

- Social media (websites and apps that let users create, share and network) allows organizations with even the most limited budgets to reach a broad audience in a quick, cost-effective way. These platforms allow us to tell our organization's story.
- Social media messages can help engage supporters, capturing and retaining their attention. Social media can also increase awareness of KLEF, which may support fundraising efforts and mission accomplishment.
- An investment in social media and social listening can play an important role in the success of our organization. We continuously consider how these platforms can improve our ability to engage with supporters and further our reach, as well as our mission.

Social Media Strategy

- KLEF staff is dedicated to continue developing our social media strategy that is integrated with our overall marketing strategy and aligned with our mission, goals and target audiences. Developing and posting a variety of frequent posts and interactions will promote visibility and community engagement, leading to more collaboration opportunities and a broader network of supporters of KLEF.
- Social media presents the opportunity to connect with supporters by responding to questions and comments or joining in new conversations. With a little creativity and humor, dialogue can be established that helps donors feel more connected and engaged. Social media also enables KLEF to continuously update audiences about our work, inform them about how they can get involved, and share relevant information with them to strengthen the image and reputation of KLEF.



**Kentucky Lions
Eye Foundation**

Finis E. Davis Fellowship Application

The Finis E. Davis Fellowship was created to honor the memory of Kentucky's first and only President of Lions Clubs International. PIP Finis served as President of LCI in 1960-1961. Then in 1967-68 he was President of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. He spearheaded the drive to raise the first two million dollars to build the Kentucky Lions Eye Research Institute, which is now a world-class center, and dedicated his life to Lionism. The fellowship is available to anyone and it may be given posthumously as a memorial.

The Davis Fellowship may be obtained by a contribution of \$500 or more to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. The contribution may be made at once or over a period of time by making payments of no less than \$100. The Fellowship will be presented upon receipt of the final payment. Contributions can be made online at www.kylionseye.org/donate or by a check made payable to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation.

The recipient of the Finis E. Davis Fellowship will receive a personalized plaque from the current Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation President, a Finis E. Davis Fellow patch and Finis E. Davis Fellow pin.

Individuals who are already a Finis Davis Fellow can receive a Progressive Finis Davis Fellowship. For an additional contribution to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, the Progressive Finis Davis Fellow would receive an exclusive Progressive Finis E. Davis Fellow pin with diamond(s) with the following contribution amounts:

1 Diamond Pin
\$500-\$999

2 Diamond Pin
\$1,000-\$4,999

3 Diamond Pin
\$5,000-\$9,999

4 Diamond Pin
\$10,000+

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW TO REQUEST A FINIS E. DAVIS FELLOWSHIP:

Finis E. Davis Fellowship (\$500) ☐

Progressive (2 diamonds) ☐

Progressive (4 Diamonds) ☐

Progressive (1 diamond) ☐

Progressive (3 diamonds) ☐

Name of recipient: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club or Individual Presenting Fellowship _____ MD43 District _____

Send plaque, pin and patch to: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date that plaque, pin and patch is needed to be presented: _____ (Please allow 4 weeks to delivery)

Amount of check enclosed: _____ (Not less than \$100)

Please print and mail this application along with payment check(s) to KLEF (301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd., Louisville, KY 40202). You may email completed applications to KarenHayse@kylionseye.org, but please mail all checks to the KLEF office.

Please include a short bio of your recipient when you submit this application.

Holloran Trust

The Holloran Trust Fund, which was established in 1967, assists needy blind people of Louisville as well as Bullitt, Hardin, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby and Spencer Counties in Kentucky and Clark, Floyd and Harrison Counties in Indiana. Requests for help are considered by a committee of Lions Club members who have been selected to manage the Holloran Trust Fund under the direction of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. The review committee meets every other month at KLEF. The maximum amount that can be requested by/awarded to one individual is \$3,000.

Verification of need and legal blindness must be provided on the application for assistance.

During the Fiscal Year 2024-2025, the Holloran Trust Program supported 50 individuals by granting a total of \$8,140.48 in financial support for their needs.



Holloran Trust Application

READ THIS LETTER BEFORE FILLING OUT YOUR APPLICATION.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed you will find the Holloran Trust application for assistance you requested from the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. Please make sure you fill the form out completely and provide the information requested.

The Holloran Trust Fund, which was established in 1967, assists needy blind people of Louisville as well as Bullitt, Hardin, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby and Spencer Counties in Kentucky and Clark, Floyd and Harrison Counties in Indiana. Requests for help will be considered by a committee of Lions Club members who have been selected to manage the Holloran Trust Fund under the direction of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. The Holloran Trust Committee meets every other month to go over any application requests. After their meeting and review of your application, you will be informed by phone or letter if your application has been approved or not.

- ☐ **You must provide verification of need and legal blindness on the application in order for your application to be considered for assistance.**
- ☐ **You must provide documentation of your monthly support. If you have a place to live (other than a homeless shelter), you have support coming in every month. Please make sure you attach some kind of documentation. Some examples: food stamp letter, disability letter, or paycheck stub. PLEASE DO NOT MAIL ORIGINALS.**
- ☐ **You must mail the application to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation at: 301 E. Muhammad Ali Blvd., Louisville, KY 40202.**

Failure to do any of these things will result in a delay of processing for your application. Feel free to use this letter as a checklist to make sure you have completed all of the necessary steps.

Thank you,

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation

Holloran Trust

Holloran Trust Fund Request for Assistance

(Trust is available to help legally blind resident of the environs of Jefferson County, Kentucky)

Name of Applicant _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Business) _____ E-Mail: _____

Do you own your home? _____ Rent _____ Other _____

Occupation _____ Place of Employment _____

List people who live in your home: Name, age and relationship:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

INCOME: (monthly of all in household) Please include copies of all below as proof of income

Monthly take home pay _____ Supplement Security Income (SSI) _____ Food Stamps _____

Social Security _____ Pension or Unemployment – monthly _____ Other income – monthly _____

Child Support (AFDC) _____ Social Security _____ Total Household Income _____

EXPENSES: (monthly of household)

Household Total Monthly Expenses \$ _____ (list on back or give explanations)

APPLICATION MUST HAVE A STATEMENT FROM A DOCTOR TO VERIFY TOTAL OR LEGAL

BLINDNESS: Visual Acuity _____ Cause of Blindness _____

Have you applied to any other agencies for help with this need?

What are you requesting and Estimated Cost:

What will you be using the item for?

Signature _____

Date _____

Witness _____

Telephone _____

Mail to:

Holloran Trust Fund
c/o Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation
301 E Muhammad Ali Blvd
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 583-0564 Fax # (502) 852-6596

KidSight Program



What is KidSight?

The Kentucky *KidSight* Program is a vision screening project started by the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation in 2004. Through the KidSight Program, Lions Clubs and volunteers throughout the Commonwealth organize and conduct free vision screenings for children between the ages of 6 months to 6 years old. As of June 30, 2025, we have screened **262,423** children through the KidSight Program. KLEF reports all screenings to Lions KidSight USA.

What does a screening cost?

The screening is **FREE** thanks to support and volunteer efforts of Kentucky Lions Clubs and Program donors and supporters.

If your club is interested in participating in the KidSight program, please contact Lion Karen Hayse, KidSight State Coordinator (karenhayse@kylionseye.org or 1-502-583-0564). All volunteers must complete a Background Check.



KidSight Volunteer Background Check Form



**** PLEASE PRINT & COMPLETE ****

CONFIDENTIAL

Background checks cannot be completed without all of the below information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Maiden Name(s) and/or Alias: _____

Phone Number: () _____ Social Security #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Lions Club (if applicable): _____

Please complete the above form and return to:

Karen Hayse

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation

301 East Muhammad Ali Blvd.

Louisville, KY 40202

Email: karenhayse@kylionseye.org

Background Checks will be completed by KLEF staff and will not be disclosed to anyone but the volunteer. Background Checks will be re-run for each KidSight Volunteer four years from the time that their Background Check was initially run.

Kentucky KidSight
Vision Screening Cover Sheet
(children under 7-yrs of age)



A. Vision Screening Site Information (PLEASE PRINT)

1. Date: _____ Day Care ____ Pre ____ K ____ HeadStart ____
2. Name of Screening Site: _____
3. Teacher: _____ Classroom: _____ AM ____ PM ____
4. Address: _____
5. City & Zip Code: _____
6. County: _____
7. Contact Person: _____ E-mail: _____
8. Phone: (_____) _____

B. Preliminary Screening Results

Total Number of Children: _____ Pass ____ Refer ____ C.U.T. ____

C. Lions Club Information:

1. Lions Club Contact: _____
2. Address: _____
3. City & Zip Code: _____
4. County: _____
5. Lions Club: _____ District: _____
6. Telephone Number: _____
7. Total # of hours including travel time: _____

Please send the Cover Sheet, one copy of referrals and the consent form for the referrals to:

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, KidSight Program
301 E Muhammad Ali Blvd.
Louisville, KY 40202-1594
Phone: (502) 583-0564
Fax: (502) 852-6596

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation

KidSight Program
(children under 7-yr's of age)



Dear Parents or Guardian:

Your child's eyes were screened recently by volunteers in our KidSight Program. The results of the screening indicated the need for a more complete eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist. Because poor vision can affect learning and development, it is important for your child to be seen by an eye specialist.

Please follow the steps below:

- Call an eye doctor in your area to make an appointment for your child.**

- Take your child to the appointment.** Please take the Evaluation Form included in this packet with you to the appointment. Please request that the doctor take the time to complete this form and fax it back to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation at (502) 852-6596. Your feedback is important so we can measure the impact of our services. All information is kept completely confidential within our program.

If you have any questions about the screening process or results, please call Karen Hayse at the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation at (502) 583-0564.

Kentucky KidSight Evaluation Sheet

(children under 7-yrs of age)



This patient has been recommended for a complete pediatric eye exam after failing a vision screening through the KidSight Program. Please fill out the form as completely as possible and fax to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation at (502) 852-6596.

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Date of Vision Screening: _____ City of Screening: _____

(To be completed by MD/OD)

Date of Exam: _____ Name of reporting MD/OD: _____

Visual Acuity: OD: _____ OS: _____

Diagnosis: (please check all that apply):

- ☐ **Anisocoria**— Slight differences in pupil sizes are found in healthy people.
- ☐ **Anisometropia** - A condition in which the two eyes have unequal refractive power.
- ☐ **Astigmatism** - condition when the cornea has an abnormal curve, causing out-of-focus vision.
- ☐ **Hyperopia** (Farsightedness) - Causes difficulty seeing objects that are near, appear blurred.
- ☐ **Myopia** (Nearsightedness) – Causes difficulty seeing distant objects, appear blurred.
- ☐ **Strabismus** - When the eyes are not directed to an object simultaneously. Sometimes the eyes deviate inward and other times the eyes deviated outward.

Treatment (please check all that apply):

_____ None _____ Glasses _____ Patch _____ Surgery

Other (Please specify): _____

Follow-Up: _____ None _____ Other (Include date): _____

Thank you for participating in the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation KidSight Program.

Patron Trust Program

The Patron Trust Fund assists low-income Kentuckians in need of eye surgeries who have limited insurance. Requests for help will be considered by a committee of Lions Club members who have been selected to manage the Patron Trust Fund under the direction of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation.

During the Fiscal Year 2024-2025, the Patron Trust Program approved to support 45 individuals by approving a total of \$76,199 in financial support for their eye surgeries, special lenses, prosthetics or other procedures.

The pictures below are of several recipients who have been supported by the Patron Trust Program.



Patron Trust Program Application

READ THIS LETTER BEFORE FILLING OUT YOUR PATRON TRUST APPLICATION.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Enclosed is the Patron Trust application for assistance you requested from the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. **Please make sure you complete the form and return along with the income information requested.**

The Patron Trust Fund is set up by the Lions of Kentucky to help assist in payment of hospital and surgery bills of people who have been **referred by their local Lions Club**. Requests for help will be considered by a committee of Lions Club members who have been selected to manage the Patron Trust Fund under the direction of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation. Upon their discussion you will be informed by phone or letter if your application has been approved.

- You must provide documentation of your monthly support. If you have a place to live (other than a homeless shelter), you have support coming in every month. Please make sure you attach some kind of documentation. Some examples: food stamp letter, disability letter, or paycheck stub. **PLEASE DO NOT MAIL ORIGINALS.**
- If you have been informed that you need surgery, please make sure to **send copies** of any referrals with your application and make sure to let us know what type of surgery is needed.
- Please return the application to the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation office at the top of this letter.

Failure to do any of these things will result in a delay of processing for your application.

Thank you,

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation



Patron Trust Fund Request for Assistance Application

The funds are to be used to assist in payment of hospital & surgery bills related to individuals who have been **referred** to KLEF by their local Lions Club

**Kentucky Lions
Eye Foundation**

Club Referred By (REQUIRED): _____

Club Representative (REQUIRED): _____
Application will not be processed without a Lions Club and Representative name listed above

Name of Applicant _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Business) _____ E-Mail: _____

Do you own your home? _____ Rent _____ Other _____

Occupation _____ Place of Employment _____

What type of surgery do you need? _____

Do you have any form of medical coverage: yes no (please include a copy of both sides of your card).

If yes, what? Provider _____ Group # _____

What portion of the surgery cost does your insurance cover? _____

List people who live in your home: Name, age and relationship:

INCOME: (monthly of all in household) – please send copies to show proof of all items checked below:

Monthly take home pay _____ Supplement Security Income (SSI) _____ Food Stamps _____

Social Security _____ Pension or Unemployment – monthly _____ Other income – monthly _____

Child Support (AFDC) _____ Social Security _____ Total Household Income _____

EXPENSES: (monthly of household)

Household Total Monthly Expenses \$ _____ (list on back or give explanations)

Have you applied to any other agencies for help with this need? _____

I hereby authorize the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation to release the above information as needed.

Signature _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Telephone _____

Mail to: Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation
301 E Muhammad Ali Blvd
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 583-0564 Fax # (502) 852-6596

Vision Van Program

Through the Vision Van Program, KLEF is pleased to provide the resources (two vans, equipment, supplies, training, consultation, supervision, etc.) to the Lions clubs in Kentucky's Multiple District 43 for the purpose of conducting vision screenings. **Since 2002, the Vision Van program has provided 262,335 FREE vision screenings in Kentucky.**

For recording purposes, any vision screenings provided by a SPOT camera on a person over the age of 6 will be recorded as a Vision Van screening, even if this child is screened during a "KidSight" screening. Please keep separate records of anyone over the age of 6 and submit a Vision Van Screening Cover Sheet Report (see next page).

Vision screening is never as comprehensive as a doctor's examination and can never be a substitute for seeing an eye doctor. Screening procedures may detect people in early or treatable stages of eye disease: some who are at high risk for eye disease; and/or have refractive errors. Screeners urge these people to seek professional examinations. We, as screeners, have the opportunity to help vision professionals save the sight of people who might otherwise neglect seeing an eye doctor until it was too late.

Approximately one-third of adults will fail a vision screening and need to see an eye doctor. In low-income senior groups, the failure rate can be as high as 50%. The strategy in screening programs is:

- (1) To target high risk groups
- (2) Urge them to participate in a vision screening, and, if in need, obtain an examination.
- (3) Suggest they see their eye doctor on a regular basis

KLEF Vision Van Stations:

- (1) Interview and registration
- (2) Check Acuity (near and far vision)
- (3) Visual fields
- (4) Intraocular pressure testing
- (5) Exit interview with results, questions, brochures, and determining need for assistance.

Plan a screening for your community: To request to use the Vision Van please call 502-583-0564 or put in a request online by visiting www.kylionseye.org/vision-van. **The Vision Van equipment is to be used indoors and all equipment needs an electrical supply.**

- Select a date, time and place (call KLEF at once to confirm)
- Set up driver to pick up the Vision Van from the KLEF office in Louisville and return it to KLEF after the screening
- Publicize the event
- Recruit volunteers
- Arrange training for volunteers
- Serve as a liaison with KLEF

KLEF does not charge to use the Vision Vans. However, if a Club, individual or business wants to make a donation toward the Vision Van Program, the funds will help ensure the continuation of this important program and help defray any extra expenses.

VISION SCREENING REGISTRATION FORM

#. _____

301 East Muhammad Ali Blvd.
 Louisville, KY 40202-1594
 (502) 583-0564 or 1-800 232-5308
 Fax (502) 852-6596

Screening Summary

- ☐ Fail – See Eye Doctor:
- ☐ Soon for Risk Factors ☐ Soon for Visual Acuity
☐ Now for Visual Field ☐ Now for IOP
☐ Now for Diabetics
- ☐ Pass – See Eye Doctor Regularly (65 & over or Diabetics every year)
☐ Normal ☐ Abnormal see doctor now

Screener _____

Name: _____

Age: _____

Do you wear ☐ Glasses or ☐ Contacts for: ☐ Driving ☐ Reading ☐ Both? ☐ Do not wear glassesDo you have them with you? ☐ Yes ☐ No If you wear contacts are they Monovision contacts? ☐ Yes ☐ NoI understand that this is a **vision screening** and it is **not** a substitute for any eye exam performed by an eye doctor-Initial _____

Risk Assessment	Yes	No	Recommendation
• Do/Did you have close relative with glaucoma?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor regularly
• Have you been diagnosed with glaucoma?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor regularly
• Do you have a vision problem other than needing glasses or contacts?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor regularly
• Any adverse changes in your vision recently?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor soon
• Ever had an eye injury or eye surgery?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor regularly
• Do you have diabetes?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor annually
• Has it been a long time since you had a dilated eye exam?	☐	☐	☐ See eye doctor regularly

Distance Visual Acuity Screening

Right Eye: 20/____ Left Eye: 20/____ ☐ Unable to screen
☐ Contacts worn ☐ Distance glasses worn Screener: _____

Adults 20/50 or Worse**Children 20/40 or Worse**☐ See Eye Doctor Soon**Near Visual Acuity Screening**

Right Eye: 20/____ Left Eye: 20/____ ☐ Unable to screen
☐ Contacts worn ☐ Glasses worn Screener: _____

Adults 20/50 or Worse**Children 20/40 or Worse**☐ See Eye Doctor Soon**Visual Fields Screening** (Inst. Used: ☐ FDT ☐ Other)☐ None Missed – normal range☐ 1 or more missed either eye – suspect rangeUnable to screen: ☐ Right Eye ☐ Left Eye Screener: _____**1 or more Missed Stimuli**☐ See Eye Doctor Now**Intraocular Pressure (IOP)** (Inst. Used: ☐ NCT ☐ Other)

Right Eye Avg. _____ Left Eye Avg. _____
 Screener: _____

24 or Higher in Either Eye or A Difference of 5☐ See Eye Doctor Now

Vision Van Spot Camera Vision Screening

Ages: 7 years old to Adults

A. Vision Screening Site Information (PLEASE PRINT)

1. Date: _____
2. Name of Screening Site: _____
3. Address: _____
4. City & Zip Code: _____
5. County: _____
6. Contact Person: _____ E-mail: _____
7. Phone: (_____) _____

B. Preliminary Screening Results

Total Number Screened: _____ **Passes** _____ **Referrals** _____

C. Lions Club Information:

1. Lions Club Contact: _____
2. Address: _____
3. City & Zip Code: _____
4. County: _____
5. Lions Club: _____ District: _____
6. Telephone Number: _____
7. Total # of hours including travel time: _____

Please send the Cover Sheet to:

Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, Vision Van Program

301 E Muhammad Ali Blvd.

Louisville, KY 40202-1594

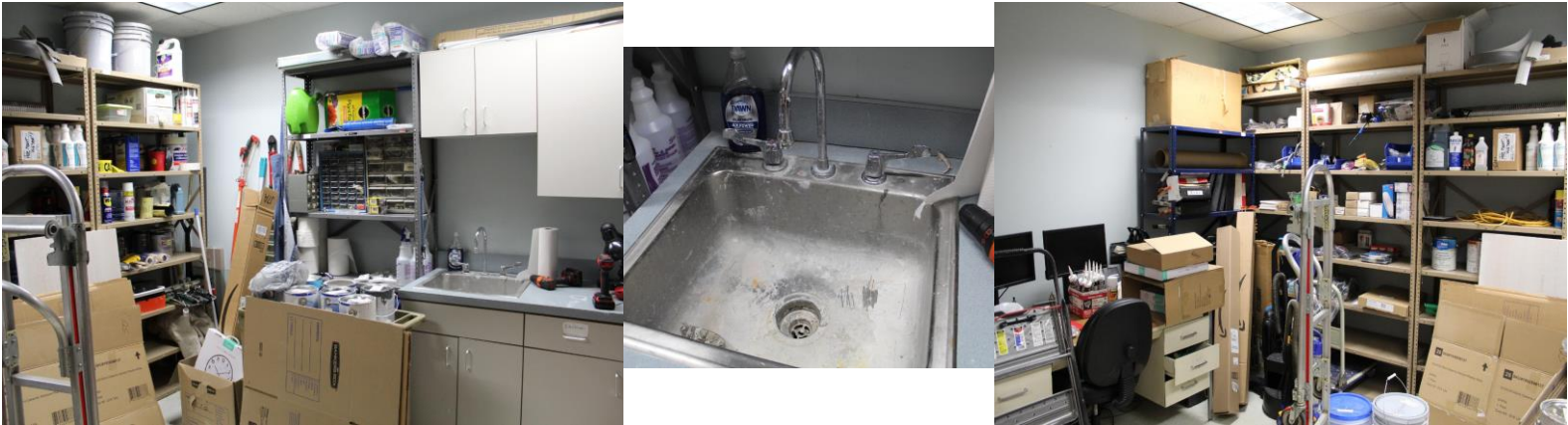
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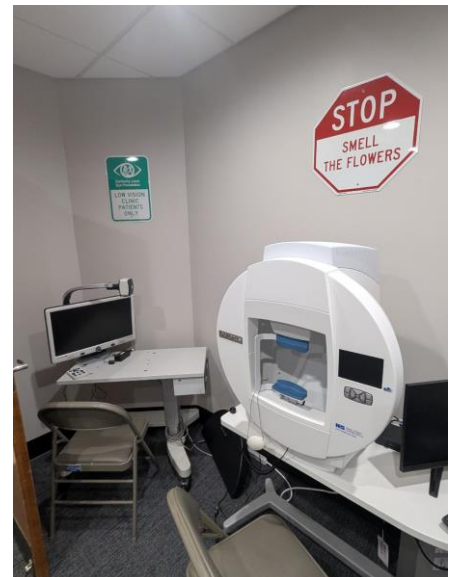
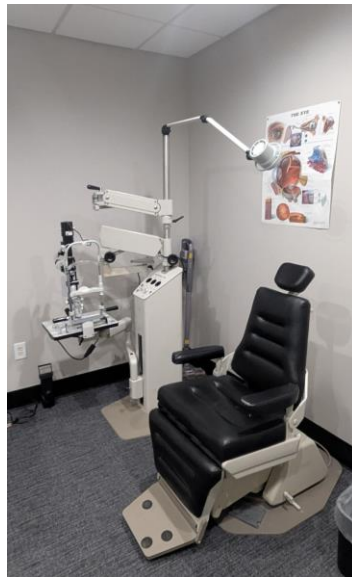
Low Vision Clinic

In May 2023, KLEF announced our intention to open a new Low Vision Clinic that will be managed by KLEF at the McDowell Center in Louisville. This Clinic is made possible through donations and collaborative partnerships with several organizations, including support from the Louisville Downtown Lions Club, Kentucky School for the Blind Charitable Foundation, Adam & Carla Ruschival and others.

Below are some pictures of the exam room in July 2023; the room was used as a maintenance room for 12+ years so there was a good amount of work that needed to be done to prepare it and the reception area to function well as the Low Vision Clinic.



After renovations of the space were completed in July 2024 and the necessary equipment and supplies were obtained, KLEF proudly opened the Low Vision Clinic in November 2024. Below and on the next page are some pictures of the renovated exam room and reception area of KLEF's Low Vision Clinic.



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The Clinic provides services to low vision individuals who have goals they would like to achieve to enhance their quality of life, and the low vision services provided at the Clinic are a great addition to the services that KLEF provides. Low vision exams will be provided to any resident of Kentucky or a surrounding state who is living with low vision. Insurance is not required and we serve all, regardless of age, gender, income or other factors.

During the pilot phase from November 2024 through July 2025, the Low Vision Clinic was open to see patients two days per month. Beginning in August 2025, the Clinic will be expanded to being open three days per month to serve more individuals in need.

So far through July 2025, KLEF has provided no-cost comprehensive evaluations to **88 individuals** with significant vision impairments who are considered Low Vision. Patients have ranged in age from 6-99.5 years; men and women; working and retired; patients self-referred and referred by their eye doctor; patients with Macular Degeneration, Diabetic Retinopathy, Diabetic Macular Edema, Glaucoma, Keratoconus, Nystagmus, and more. We are working on many additional referrals to the Clinic, and we receive new referrals regularly.

This new clinic is a beacon of hope for individuals with low vision. Many patients have entered the Clinic room depressed or anxious, but they have left feeling hopeful and positive about the future; sadness and uncertainty has been turned into happy tears and restored hope and positivity. There's been a patient who thought she could never quilt again who left thrilled she could resume one of her favorite hobbies; a patient in tears of joy for the restored hope she felt thanks to the Low Vision Exam and the possibilities she now sees; a patient ecstatic to see his wife again with the assistance of some recommended devices during his exam- something that was not possible for years! The sincere exhilaration in their voices, their gratitude, and their happiness is tremendous to witness and provides strong affirmation of the impact our clinic is having on lives already!

KLEF hopes to **serve at least 200 individuals** with no-cost low vision evaluations in the 2025-2026 fiscal year thanks to the generosity of our supporters and the dedication of our staff. We want to ensure sustainability of this important program for many years to come!

If you would like to learn more or to make a contribution toward the Low Vision Clinic, please visit kylionseye.org/lowvision.

2025-2026 KLEF Quick Reference Guide

We hope you find this Quick Reference Guide to be a useful tool.

As a Trustee, you may receive inquiries at times about KLEF programs, services, general operations, etc. If you find that you are not able to answer any question or need more information about a certain topic, please use this reference guide as to who to direct your question(s) to.

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