Who are the Salem Lions?

Men and women of varying ages drawn together for a common purpose: To make a positive difference in our community, in Connecticut, and throughout the world.

How do we serve?

- We donate our time and talent to help others.
- 100% of every dollar raised by the club directly benefits the charities we serve.
- Administrative costs are raised by membership dues. All fundraising dollars are utilized for charity contributions.

A brief history of Lions International

Lions Club International is the world's largest service organization with 1.35 million members in 206 countries.

Lion members are dedicated men and women who volunteer their time to humanitarian causes.
Founded in 1917, the association's motto is "We serve". Worldwide, Lions

serve". Worldwide, Lions clubs are recognized for their service to the blind and visually impaired. Today, they extend this commitment through local projects and international programs.

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The Salem Lions Club



We need caring people wishing to help the Community and those less fortunate

Please Join Us!

Learn more about your local chapter of the World's largest and most active service organization

Serving the Salem community since 1973

Whom do we serve?

In our community.....

- <u>Special Projects</u> to aid seniors, those in need, and the community as a whole.
- Easter Egg Hunt at Salem School
- Memorial Day Parade support
- <u>Community Calendar</u> delivered free to every household.
- <u>Scholarships</u> annually to two graduating Salem seniors.
- <u>Civic & Grange Awards</u> to deserving 6th, 7th and 8th grade students at Salem School.
- <u>Cutting firewood</u> for senior citizens.
- Sponsor Youth Baseball Team
- Secret Santa
- <u>Needy Fund</u> support to Salem people with misc. needs
- <u>D.A.R.E.</u>
- <u>Community Needs</u>: Providing eye exams (includes periodic screening of (toddlers 2nd graders), collecting and providing eyeglasses for the needy, and arranging adaptive equipment for the sight impaired.

And beyond

Our yearly fund-raisers also support:

- <u>Camp Rising Sun</u>: providing summertime camperships to children with cancer
- CT Lions Eye Research
 Foundation: providing grants
 to CT hospitals and projects for eye research and equipment
- *CRIS Radio*: a reading service of newspapers and magazines for the blind and print-handicapped via local broadcasting from Three Rivers Community College in Norwich
- <u>Diabetes</u>: providing funds for research and equipment
- Lions Club International
 Foundation: providing grants
 for worldwide disaster relief.
 Setting up hospitals and training
 for physicians worldwide; the
 LCIF goal is to eradicate all
 causes of preventable blindness.

Also supporting

- <u>Hearing & Speech</u>: providing funds for research and equipment
- <u>Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation</u>: Bloomfield, CT: providing funds to train guide dogs for individuals who are blind.
- Lions Low Vision Center of
 Eastern Conn.: Located at
 Uncas on Thames in Norwich, It
 provides low vision devices,
 equipment and evaluation at no
 charge to individuals with low
 vision, or who are legally blind.

ANNUAL FUNDRAISERS:

- Salem Road Race
- Community Calendar
- Gigantic Tag Sale
- Journey for Sight Walk-a-thon
- Firewood By the cord
- Super Bowl Roses
- Golf Classic