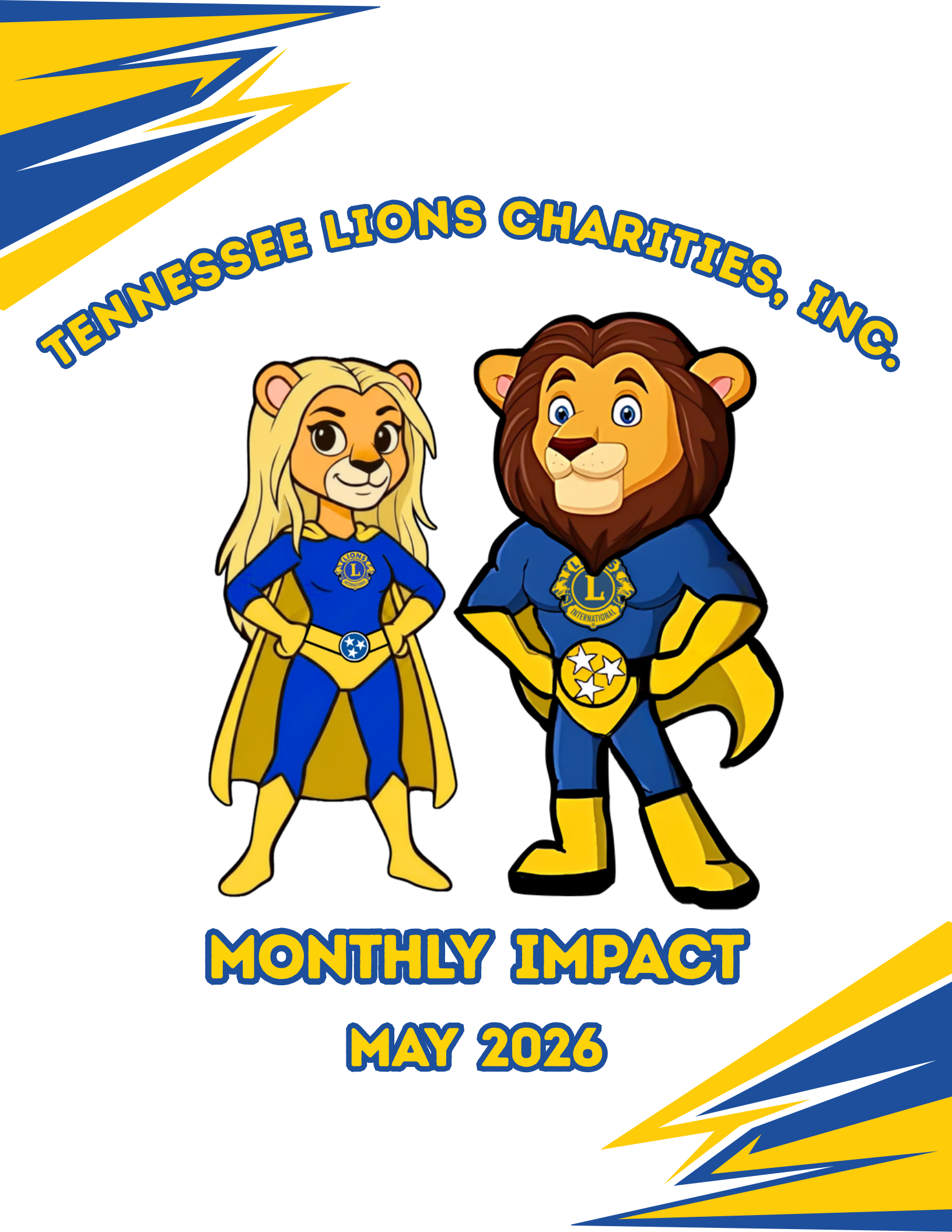




TENNESSEE LIONS CHARITIES, INC.



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FROM THE VERY MESSY OFFICE OF OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Friends and Fellow Lions,

As we enter the summer season, we also enter the time of year when festivals and gatherings are prominent. All too soon, the back-to-school events will begin, and I'm very excited to say that TLC has already been contacted by organizations requesting that a Tennessee KidSight vision screening be part of their back-to-school events.



These back-to-school events are a great way for communities to get to know their local Lions and learn more about not only their local club and TLC's Tennessee KidSight program but also Lions International. Our staff always helps arrange for local clubs to be present at these events and provide attendees with quick, easy, and informative vision screenings.

Inclusion is what makes a Tennessee KidSight vision screening so great. Younger kids don't have to know the alphabet, and students in upper grades don't have to speak English or be

verbal if they're on the Autism spectrum. Tennessee KidSight strives to elevate traditional vision screenings. Our staff has developed informational resources to help parents understand the vision issues their child could be facing and find doctors in their communities who can address these issues, ensuring no child begins the school year or their educational journey with an undiagnosed vision problem.

To strengthen the goal of inclusion, we have developed a new screening form for these back-to-school events, ensuring participants who receive a referral during the screening are well informed about potential vision problems and how to seek treatment. These forms are not standard KidSight Outreach and KidSightPLUS consent forms.

If your club has been asked to bring Tennessee KidSight to a back-to-school event, please let us know. We can provide these forms for you and translate the forms into any language you need to ensure every member of your community can make informed decisions about vision care for their children.

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Do You Have the Right Stuff?

The 2026 Focused Fundraising Drive ends Friday July 3rd!

Are you ready to make a difference and show that Tennessee's Lions truly have the right stuff? Join us in our exciting spring fundraiser, where every contribution helps children see and reach for the stars!



Your support will help us fund Tennessee KidSight and empower the next generation to explore our world and beyond! Don't miss this opportunity to make an impact!

Visit www.TennesseeLionsCharities.org/therightstuff to get exclusive t-shirts, patches, polos, and more!



TENNESSEE

KidSight

Two great programs that allow Tennessee's Lions to serve the children in their communities!

KidSight Outreach



Over 727,135 children have participated in KidSight Outreach vision screening since 1997!

43,860 children have been referred for life-changing treatment thanks to KidSight Outreach's early detection of vision problems!

Kindergarten & Pre - K

KidSight
PLUS
Grades 1-12

Launched in 2024 as a way to meet the needs of charter schools in Nashville, TN.

Provides vision screenings to older students.

Over 10,653 participants in the few years since its launch!



May 2026 Report

To view the full report visit our website!

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908 kindergarten and pre-k students screened!

93 kindergarten and pre-k referred for treatment that will allow for improved social, behavioral, and educational development.

24 Lions Club KidSight volunteers spent an estimated 39 hours conducting 26 KidSight Outreach vision screenings totaling \$1,357 in volunteer time.

The Current Estimated National Value of Each Volunteer Hour Is \$34.79. - independentsector.org

Top 5 KidSight Outreach Screening Clubs in May

Lions Club	# Screened	# Referred
Lebanon	219	23
Mt. Juliet / West Wilson	175	25
Murfreesboro	106	9
Woodbury	95	6
East Hamilton	89	13





Do you have the latest forms?

  **KidSight Outreach**
Kindergarten, Pre-K, and Daycares

*Attach Instrument
Printout Here*

Consent of Parent/Guardian
The Lions Clubs in your community, in conjunction with Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc., will offer free vision screenings at your child's school. The screening will provide a digital reading of your child's eyes. No physical contact is made with your child, and eye drops are unnecessary. Results will be returned to the screening site where they will be available to you within two weeks.

I, the undersigned, give permission for my child, named below, to participate in the screening event. I understand the following regarding this program:

1. The information obtained from this vision screening is preliminary only and does not constitute a diagnosis of vision problems.
2. There is no charge to participate in the vision screening process.
3. I understand that I am responsible for arranging an eye exam if my child has been referred through the KidSight vision screening. I give permission for my doctor to share the evaluation results with Tennessee Lions Charities and Vanderbilt University.
4. I understand and give my permission to be contacted by Tennessee Lions Charities' follow-up coordinator if my child is referred. *(Parents/Guardians of referred children are encouraged to inform the follow-up coordinator [see below for number] of professional exam dates or exam results before the follow-up process begins.)*
5. I will not hold the Lions Club volunteers, Tennessee Lions Charities, or Vanderbilt University accountable for any errors of commission, omission, or other misdiagnosis.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

PLEASE PRINT

Child's Name _____ First _____ Middle _____ Last _____ Child's Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Address _____ City and Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Is your child already wearing glasses or receiving treatment prescribed by an eye care professional? ☐ Yes ☐ No
A child currently wearing glasses should not be screened.

Results

____ Pass We are unable to detect a vision problem at this time. Please realize this screening is not a substitute for a complete exam. Consult your eye care professional if you suspect a vision problem.

____ Refer Your child should be examined because he or she may have a condition that has the potential to cause poor vision in one or both eyes.

____ Unreadable Re-screen in one year, or see an eye doctor sooner if you suspect a problem.

____ C. U. T. Based on your answer above, an indication from the school, or a note from a Lions Club screening volunteer, your child is Currently Under Treatment and should continue that prescribed treatment.

If you have any questions about the screening process or wish to inform our coordinator of a referred child's exam date or exam results, please call the KidSight Outreach offices at (615) 690-8644 ext. 222 or visit our website www.tennesseeclionscharities.org/kidsightoutreach

To learn more about KidSight, visit our website to read our free children's book www.TennesseeLionsCharities.org/KidsightStory

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 **KidSight PLUS** 

Consent of Parent/Guardian
Grades 1-12

@tennesseelionscharities

The Lions Clubs in your community in partnership with Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc. are offering free vision screenings to your child as part of TLC's KidSight PLUS program. The screening will provide a digital reading of your child's eyes. No physical contact is made with your child and eye drops are not necessary. Results will be attached to this form and returned to you.

I, the undersigned, hereby give permission for my child, named below, to participate in the KidSight PLUS screening event. I understand the following regarding this program:

1. The information obtained from this vision screening is preliminary only, and does not constitute a diagnosis of vision problems.
2. There is no charge to participate in the vision screening process.
3. I understand that I am responsible for arranging a full eye exam if my child has been referred as a result of the vision screening.
4. I will not hold either the local Lions Club or Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc. accountable for any errors of commission, omission or other misdiagnosis.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

PLEASE PRINT

Student's Name _____

Is your child already wearing glasses or receiving treatment prescribed by an eye care professional? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Results

Attach Results Label Here

*If you have questions about a referral result, please contact Tennessee Lions Charities.
Phone: (615) 690-8644 ext. 222 Email: kidsightplus@tnlions.com*

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Questions about implied/opt out consent?

We can provide consent forms that allow you to use a school's implied/opt out consent policy. Call or email us to discuss further.

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Crossville Lions in memory of Tracy Scrimsher

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To empower and support the Lions of Tennessee through leadership, programs, and resources that strengthen their impact on the lives of Tennesseans.

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