



GEORGIA LIONS  
**Lighthouse  
Foundation**



# Transforming Vision Care in Georgia

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## **Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation provides access to affordable vision services.**

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation is the only statewide organization that provides a full continuum of vision services to children and adults who need it most.



### **The need in Georgia for access to affordable vision services is great.**

- Average patient cost exam/glasses = \$25/person vs \$300 for profit
- 52 Georgia counties currently lack a vision care provider
- 30% of Georgia counties lack eye care services
- 1.4M Georgians were uninsured in 2019
- 408,000 low-income Georgians do not qualify for Medicaid in Georgia and make too little to get financial help to buy private insurance at [healthcare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov). These Georgians have incomes below the poverty line (less than \$12,769 a year for an individual or \$21,720 a year for a family of three) and fall into the coverage gap with no affordable health insurance options.

# Vision Services

## Tele-Optometry Vision Exam Program

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation launched the first-ever statewide tele-optometry exam program in April 2022. This program is focused on one goal – serving patients who need us most where they live. By leveraging cutting-edge technology, we will better coordinate services in areas of the state with no access to vision services.

## Vision Clinics & Optics

In addition to our tele-optometry program, we offer free eye exams and low-cost glasses in two metro Atlanta Clinics located in Chamblee and at Grady Memorial Hospital, and through our traditional statewide mobile clinic program. In partnership with licensed optometrists and ophthalmologists, we provide fully dilated eye exams and high-quality eyeglasses produced in our optical lab.

## Vision Surgery

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation partners with ophthalmologists and surgery centers across the state to facilitate sight-saving surgical procedures, including treatment for glaucoma, cataracts, and diabetes-related vision impairment.

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation believes all lives have value and everyone should have access to the means for good health.



Over 4,500 Georgians receive vision services annually.



Over 80 mobile clinics annually serve rural locations throughout Georgia.



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## Ways you can help bring sight to Georgians who need it most:



### Be a clinical volunteer or help us recruit clinical volunteers.

The services we provide are made possible through our network of volunteer doctors and healthcare professionals across Georgia. Tell ophthalmologists and optometrists you know about Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation services and encourage them to partner with us in their communities.



### Recycle.

In addition to eyeglasses, we accept readers, sunglasses, hearing aids and cell phones.

Recycled eyeglasses are shipped overseas with medical mission groups and money earned from selling recycled items goes directly to Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation services. You can also volunteer individually or as a group by sorting donations, washing eyeglasses or reading prescriptions in the Recycling Center.



### Refer a person or an organization.

People need our services, but many do not realize help is available. Refer people in your community, local schools and senior homes to Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation.



### Donate.

92% of every dollar donated goes directly to providing vision services.

Your financial contributions and gifts help bring improved sight to Georgians who need it most.

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is a proud partner of local  
Lions Clubs across the state.



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for more information.



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