

**Lions Clubs International – Multiple District 36  
Policy Manual  
Chapter 2 - B**

**VI. Name: Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center**

**VI. Purpose:** To work with the Lions family of District 36 E, Regions 1 and 2 and other community agencies to effectively marshal resources to improve the quality of life for residents of southern Oregon. Our focus is primarily in the areas of sight, hearing, diabetes and promoting positive opportunities for youth.

**VI. Specific Responsibilities:**

- A. This facility is owned by the Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center, Inc. and has its own bylaws (available upon request).
- B. To encourage Lions and Lionesses to participate with the Center to maintain and improve programs and services for sight and hearing impaired residents of Jackson and Josephine Counties in southern Oregon.
- C. To employ staff, as necessary, who carry out the policies and programs for sight and hearing impaired individuals in Jackson and Josephine Counties.
- D. To furnish all current materials to the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation (OLSHF) and to the Council of Governors (COG) for the purpose of communication, understanding, cooperation and education.
- E. To interface and partner with other community groups to provide a wider range of programs to disabled individuals in Jackson and Josephine Counties.
- F. To provide:
  - 1. Low vision and hearing assistance clinic areas and sales of equipment.
  - 2. Social activities for sight and hearing impaired individuals.
  - 3. Office facilities for Oregon Commission for the Blind.
  - 4. A facility for community groups to meet.
  - 5. Affordable housing for low-income senior and/or disabled residents in Medford.

**VI. Committee Makeup:**

- A. Membership:
  - 1. Participating Lion and Lioness clubs from the geographic area whose contributions are of time, materials and money.
  - 2. The Board of Directors membership is 1 representative or alternate from each participating club, elected by the sponsoring club, alternating for 2-year terms.
- B. Officers:
  - 1. The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer (the Executive Committee) are elected annually by the Board of Directors.

**V. Fiscal Responsibilities:**

The Board of Directors is responsible for all funds, budget, financial statements, audits, depository records, non-profit operation and for providing fiscal information to the OLSHF, DG's or Lions Club International (LCI), if requested.

**VI. Meetings:** Corporation bylaws establish meetings on the last Monday of each month, except December.

**VII. Reports:** A brief, typed report will be submitted 15 days prior to the meeting of the COG if requesting Council action. Otherwise, a report will be submitted at time of verbal report at the quarterly COG meetings, including the MD 36 Convention.

General Policy Statements: (Added and dated as adopted by the COG)

1. Adopted by the COG, March 20, 1982.
2. Reviewed, March 9, 1997
3. Revised by SOLS&H Center, Inc., September 30, 2003
4. Revision adopted by the COG, March 5, 2004
5. Revision adopted by COG, March 11, 2011