

Where Does Your Money Go?



Eden Prairie Lions Club – eplions.com

100% of the proceeds from the public and our sponsors are donated to deserving causes. None of that money is used to support Lions Club operations. Our entire operating budget is supported internally with funds from our over 100 members!

From July 1st, 2019 through February 1st, 2024, (with no fundraising events and few donations in 2020) the Eden Prairie Lions have donated \$207,400 (an average of \$51,850 per active year) to:

Public Safety

\$6,000 EP Crime Prevention Fund for a Trained K-9 Dog \$10,250 " " to upfit a police SUV for drone operations \$8,500 EP Fire Dept for Airway Management/CPR Training Mannequins \$6,000 " " for Airway Suction Devices \$30,750

Scholarships

\$36,750 Scholarships for EP students

Social & Community Services

\$50,000 True Friends Camp Eden Wood (Special needs children's camp)

\$20,400 The PROP Shop (Clothing & furniture to families in need)

\$12,300 PROP Food Bank

\$10,000 The Friendship Project (Single parent support & education)

\$3,000 Let's Go Fishing (Fishing trips for seniors, veterans & youth)

\$2,500 EP Pickleball Courts at Staring Lake

\$2,000 Onward Eden Prairie (Housing & mental health support for youth)

\$1,000 Move Forward (Housing & mental health support for youth)

\$1,000 Project New Hope (Military family retreats)

\$1,000 Bloomington/Eden Prairie Meals on Wheels

\$1,000 Cornerstone (Domestic violence advocacy)

\$1,000 Eden Prairie Senior Living Center

\$1,000 Randy's Run (Honor Fallen Veterans)

\$700 Lions Youth Exchange

\$500 Special Olympics

\$107,400

Vision, Hearing, Diabetes & Other Foundations

\$5,000 MN Lions Gift of Sight Eye Bank

\$5,000 MN Lions Diabetes Fdn

\$3,000 MN Lions Hearing Fdn

\$3,000 MN Lions Vision Fdn

\$3,000 Lions Clubs International Foundation

\$2,000 MN Lions KidSight Fdn (Vision screening for young children)

\$2,000 MN Lions Childhood Cancer Fdn

\$1,000 MN Lions Macular Degeneration Fdn

\$1,000 MN Lions Hearing Fdn Childrens Center

\$1,000 MN Lions Juvenile Diabetes Research Fdn

\$1,000 Leader Dogs for the Blind

\$1,000 Can Do Canines

\$28,000

Animal Rescue & Nature Centers

\$1,000 Staring Lake Nature Center

\$600 EP Nature Center

\$600 Second-Hand Hounds

\$600 Light Shine Canine Rescue

\$600 SW Metro Animal Rescue

\$600 Wags and Whiskers

\$250 Underdog Animal Rescue

\$250 Red Lake Animal Rescue

\$4,500

Fundraising for other organizations

In addition to our direct donations we also conduct drives for: PROP Food Shelf - \$1,700-\$2,800 cash + 1,700-2,400 lbs of food per year Salvation Army Bell Ringing - \$1,200-\$1,800 per year

Our Fundraising Events (most are weather dependent) typically raise:

Pancake Breakfast (early April) – \$4,000-\$6,500 Schooner Days (1st weekend after Memorial Day) - \$30,000-\$40,000 July 4th Beer sales - \$6,000-\$10,000 Corn Feed (1st Saturday in August) - \$4,000-\$5,500 Golf Tournament (early August, started in 2022) - \$20,000