

OUR MISSION:

“Improving the quality of life for those that suffer from hearing loss”

The Lions Lend an Ear Foundation, a 501(c)(3), is designed to provide quality hearing aids at no cost to low-income individuals that suffer from hearing loss. The program began in the early 2000's and has serviced citizens of Long Island for over a decade. The foundation is donation and volunteer based. We provide children and adults with the resources they need to improve hearing and the quality of their lives.

The Lend an Ear Foundation is a part of Lions Club International which has over 1.4 million members. Making it the largest service organization in the world. Find out more @ www.LCI.com

How can you get involved:

- USED HEARING AID DONATIONS – EMAIL : LIONSLAE@GMAIL.COM FOR DROP OFF INFORMATION
- SUPPORT LEGISLATION: SIGN THE PETITION ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: “LIONS LEND AN EAR FOUNDATION” MANDATING NYS INSURANCE COMPANIES TO HELP COVER HEARING AID COSTS.
- MONETARY DONATIONS:

Mail to:

**Lions Lend An Ear Foundation
P.O. Box 20662
Floral Park, N.Y. 11002-0662**

To Apply for Hearing Aids:

**Email requests to:
lionslae@gmail.com**

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**For more information contact:
lionslae@gmail.com**

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“Giving the Gift of Hearing”



“The lack of vision cuts me off from things; the lack of hearing cuts me off from people”

~Helen Keller

DID YOU KNOW.....?

- ◆ Currently, only 20 states in the United States of America mandate insurance companies to provide hearing aid coverage to children and adults. New York State is **NOT** one of them
- ◆ Hearing aid prices can range from several hundred to several thousands of dollars each. A recent survey published by the Hearing Review found the purchase price of a single hearing aid is generally anywhere from \$800 to \$4000 per ear, and therefore, totaling \$1600 to \$8000 per pair, which is what most people require.
- ◆ Over 5% of the world's population, 360 million people, have disabling hearing loss (328 million adults and 32 million children).
- ◆ A 12-year study conducted by the neurology department at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine found that untreated hearing loss increased the risk for dementia.
- ◆ Studies have shown improvement in attention, understanding directions, classroom participation and school behavior when fitted with a hearing device. Studies also show that with proper early intervention through hearing aids, children with hearing loss can achieve developmental markers, and grow up to be as successful and happy as they would have been without hearing loss.

Testimonials

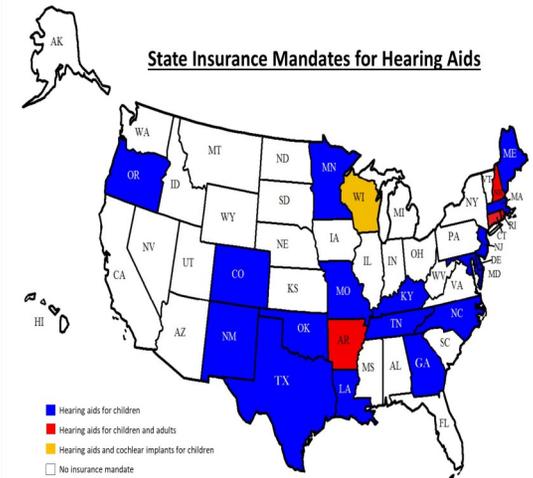
“On behalf of those with hearing impairment, your efforts are greatly appreciated. I can finally hear the students say my name and hear my doorbell.” ~Erna Giesbrecht, 5th grade teacher



“Your gift was more than just help toward receiving my new hearing aids. It was a gift of being able to communicate with my family and friends. It was a gift of being able to better comprehend the world around me.”

~Fern Glasspoole

“Words can not express how thankful I am for the hearing aid. I feel good about myself, and my self-esteem has improved 100 percent. I am able to continue nursing school with confidence, knowing I can hear patients and I can understand them.” ~Jimett Davis



Hearing is the bridge between people and their surrounding environment. Hearing empowers us and enriches our lives by enabling us to socialize, work, interact, and communicate. Hearing loss distances us from the world, leading to feelings of isolation, anxiety, depression, and makes us more vulnerable to danger. Hearing is essential for us to be able to live and participate in life more fully.

Together we must call on the New York State Governor, Assembly Speaker and Senate Majority Leader to mandate insurance companies to provide coverage for children and adults covered under an insurance policy or contract. We are people living with hearing loss, family and friends of people living with hearing loss, and citizens who care about people with hearing loss.

Please go to: <https://www.change.org/p/insurance-coverage-of-hearing-aids-for-children-and-adults>

Sign our petition. Make your voice heard.