

WIMBERLEY LIONS CLUB – SIGHT & HEARING CONSERVATION

(PART OF THE HEALTH PROGRAMS COMMITTEE)

Donated Eye Glasses – Eyeglasses are collected from several locations in Wimberley like the Thrift Store, Visitors Center, Post Office, Brookshire Bros., Blink Optical, Lion's Field, and Lion's Meetings. These are sent to the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycle Center in Midland, Texas. This center organizes optical training teams composed of Lions, doctors, opticians to develop training programs and distribute used eyeglasses in developing countries around the world.

For the following years, we have collected and shipped the following:

2012	149 pairs
2013	252 pairs
2014	618 pairs
2015 YTD	453 pairs

Student Visual Assistance – Wimberley Lions, as a part of our donations budget, provides examinations and eyeglasses to qualified students in the Wimberley School District.

- Students are pre-screened by the School Nurse for financial and eyeglass needs.
- Applications are reviewed by the Sight Chairman
- Award includes examination and eyeglasses, paid for by Wimberley Lions in conjunction with TSO in San Marcos. Average costs are \$107/student.
- School year 2010-2011 – 6 students (records are not complete)
- School year 2011-2012 – 16 students at approx \$1500
- School year 2012-2013 – 3 students. (School nurses found a Nurse's Foundation that also provides free eye glass examinations and glasses in 2013, so our contributions were limited)
- School year 2013-2014 – 7 students
- School year 2014-2015 – 4 students