



Lions of Michigan FOUNDATION

For Immediate Release

On June 28, 2018, Governor Rick Snyder approved Public Act 255, creating a Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund within the Michigan Department of Treasury for the purpose of collecting funds donated to the Lions of Michigan Foundation through annual Michigan income tax return filings. Any Michigan Tax Payer may now support the Lions of Michigan Foundation by simply checking the appropriate donation box and indicating the amount of their donation on **Form 4642: Michigan Voluntary Contribution Schedule** when they file their **Michigan Income Tax Return - Form MI-1040**.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is now 1 of 8 Michigan charities with this very distinct honor, which requires the approval of the Michigan House of Representatives, Senate and Governor. It was made possible through the dedication and support of Representative Wendell Byrd who introduced the legislation and Speaker of the House Tom Leonard who advocated for the legislation and strong bipartisan support throughout the Michigan Legislature.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a public charity that was created in 1984 to help Michigan Lions Clubs provide community services. The foundation works in partnership with its member Lions Clubs and other organizations to address serious human needs and improve quality of life.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation helps financially struggling Michigan residents whose options for affordable medical treatment are limited. Primarily, the foundation provides vision, hearing and emergency services aimed at helping Michigan residents maintain their independence, excel in school and prosper in life.