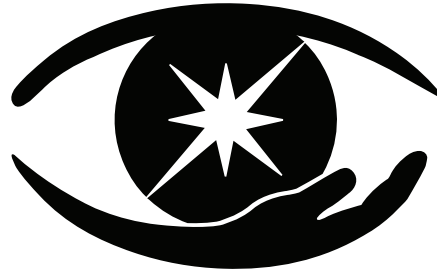


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How to Schedule Transportation

Call Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Lehigh Valley

Call Brian Schell, 610.433.6018, Ext. 226

Monroe County

Call Lisa DePietro, 570.992.7787, Ext. 224

Announcements for Clients

- Registration for the 2025 Lions Beacon Lodge camp for adults with visual impairments has begun. This year's camp will be held from Saturday, July 12, through Tuesday, July 22. Interested clients should ask their caseworkers for information. This year's bus will depart on July 12 at 9 a.m., from outside the former Kmart store at 4701 West Tilghman St. in Allentown, PA. Clients who want to take the bus should call John Anderson at 215.410.8524 to reserve a spot. Riders also must send a check for \$80, payable to Springfield Lions Club, to John Anderson at 1829 East Madison St.; Philadelphia, PA 19134.
- The Monroe County Sights for Hope Lions Club is conducting an ongoing fundraiser selling Avon. Anyone interested can check out the fundraiser website at youravon.com/dsocha.

Did You Know?

The United States Department of the Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing provides iBill currency readers free of charge to all U.S. citizens and naturalized residents who live with a visual impairment or blindness.

The device is small and compact, and it runs on a single triple-A battery that is included. To use the currency reader, simply insert a U.S. bill into the reader and press the button. The device will say the note's denomination. Interested clients should reach out to their Sights for Hope caseworkers or go to bep.gov and type "currency reader" in the search bar.



Lehigh Valley Programs

Programs are held at Sights for Hope's Lehigh Valley Services Center unless otherwise noted. **Programs that offer transportation are marked with a (T).**

To register for a program, please call Rita Lang at 610.433.6018, Ext. 225, unless otherwise noted.

Living through Depression Support Group Meetings

Monday, March 3, and Monday, March 17, 2-3:30 p.m.

Held by phone at 1.848.777.1212, passcode 219-9686#.

Call Jennifer Pandolfo at 570.992.7787, Ext. 222, or Rita Lang at 610.433.6018, Ext. 225, to register.

Mall Walks (T)

Wednesdays, March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 9-10:30 a.m.

South Mall, 3300 Lehigh St., Allentown, PA.

Lehigh Valley Client Support Group (T)

Thursday, March 6, 10-11:30 a.m.

Tech Talks

Thursdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2-3:30 p.m.

Held Virtually. Go to SightsforHope.org/Events for details.

Greater LV Chapter-Nat. Federation of the Blind Meeting

Saturday, March 8, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Denny's Restaurant, 1871 Catasauqua Road, Allentown, PA.

Call Kirk Hunger at 484.239.0741 for details.

Lehigh Valley Programs

Women's Client Support Group

Tuesday, March 11, 10-11 a.m.

Crafters Corner Activity

Tuesday, March 11, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Visit to Lehigh University Art Galleries (T)

Explore the galleries through a guided, audio-described, and tactile tour. Please bring money for lunch.

Thursday, March 13, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Client Book Club Meeting

Book: *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate.

Friday, March 14, 10-11:30 a.m.

By phone at 1.848.777.1212, passcode 219-9686#.

Call Jennifer Pandolfo at 570.992.7787, Ext. 222, or Rita Lang at 610.433.6018, Ext. 225, to register.

Lehigh Valley Council of the Blind Meeting

Saturday, March 15, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

This is a lunch meeting. Please bring a bag lunch.

Write to fjgasper@icloud.com for details.

Dominos and Other Fun Games (T)

Monday, March 17, 10-11:30 a.m.

iOS Device Workshop

Wednesday, March 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Lehigh Valley Client Calendar

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6 Lehigh Vly Group 10-11:30 (T)	7	8 GLVNFB 10-12
13 Lehigh Art Galleries 10-1 (T)	14 Book Club 10-11:30	15 LVCB 10-1
20 Smart Glasses 10-11:30 (T)	21	22
27 Visionaries 10-12 (T) Lions Club 12-1:30 (T)	28	29

Transports

Programs with available transportation are marked with a (T).

Weekly Programs

Mall Walks

March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 9-10:30. (T)

Tech Talks

March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2-3:30.

March 2025

Monroe Client Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
2	3 Monroe Group 10-1:30 (T) Depression Grp 2-3:30	4	5
9	10	11	12
16	17 Depression Grp 2-3:30	18	19
23	24 Band 11-1 (T)	25 Movies 12-3 (T)	26
30	31 Visionaries and Lions 10:30-2 (T)		

March 2025

Monroe Client Calendar

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	7	8
13 Birdhouses 10-11:30 (T)	14 Book Club 10-11:30	15
20	21 Castle Tour 12-2	22
27	28	29

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March 2025

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23	24 Band 11-1 (T)	25	26
30	31		

Lehigh Valley Programs - Continued

Looking Through Smart Glasses (T)

Explore the accessible features of the Ray-Ban Meta smart glasses.

Thursday, March 20, 10-11:30 a.m.

Client Band Jam Session (T)

Practice for members of Sights for Hope's client band, Limitless.

Monday, March 24, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; subject to change.

Monroe Services Center, 4215 Manor Drive, Stroudsburg, PA.

Visionaries Client Group Activity (T)

For all Lehigh Valley clients. Lyman Petrosky, Ph.D., from ForSight Assistive Devices will present, test, and gather feedback about the company's new Pathfinder navigation device. Please bring a lunch or money to order.

Thursday, March 27, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

LV Sights for Hope Lions Club Meeting (T)

For club members and interested guests

Thursday, March 27, 12-1:30 p.m.

Visit SightsforHope.org/LVLionsClub for details.

Monroe Programs

Programs are held at Sights for Hope's Monroe Services Center unless otherwise noted. **Programs that offer transportation are marked with a (T).**

To register for a program, please call Lisa DePietro at 570.992.7787, Ext. 224, unless otherwise noted.

Monroe Client Support Group

Monday, March 3, 10-11:30 a.m.

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Craft Day: Birdhouses (T)

Build your own birdhouse for the start of spring.

Thursday, March 13, 10-11:30 a.m.

Client Book Club Meeting

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Friday, March 14, 10-11:30 a.m.

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Monroe Programs

Tour the Castle (T)

Explore The Castle Inn in Delaware Water Gap, PA, one of the last great resort hotels in the region.

Friday, March 21, 12-2 p.m.

20 Delaware Ave., Delaware Water Gap, PA

Client Band Jam Session (T)

Practice for members of Sights for Hope's client band, Limitless.

Monday, March 24, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; subject to change.

Audio Descriptive Movies (T)

Learn how to access audio descriptive movies at the Cinemark Stroud Mall in Stroudsburg, PA. The cost is \$5 per person.

Tuesday, March 25, 12-3 p.m.

Cinemark Stroud Mall, 344 Stroud Mall Road, Stroudsburg, PA

NuVisions Client Group Activity (T)

This activity is open to all Monroe clients. Learn how the QPR technique – question, persuade, and refer – can prevent suicides. Presented by Monroe County Mental Health and Developmental Services.

Monday, March 31, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Call Jennifer Pandolfo at 570.992.7787, Ext. 222, to register.

Monroe Sights for Hope Lions Club Meeting (T)

For club members and interested guests. Please bring lunch or money to order.

Monday, March 31, 1-2 p.m.

Visit SightsforHope.org/MonroeLionsClub for details.



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