

## The first six months as a Midtown LEO Club member

On June 28, 2024, the Lions International officially chartered the Midtown LEOs as an official Lions International Club. The kids of the Midtown LEOs became part of the largest service organization in the world. Within the first six months of the Midtown LEOs being chartered, the kids of the Midtown LEOs have lived up to the Lions motto “We Serve”.



Even before the Midtown LEOs were officially chartered, the LEOs spent a Saturday in June promoting community service at the Whitehall Farmers market.



In July, the LEOs started working with E-waste recycling, learning how to disassemble E-waste items and sort the components for recycling. The LEOs then followed up working with the Fairmont Lion club members at a larger area wide E-waste event in August helping keep tons of E-waste out the the landfill.



When the Fairmont Lions were in need of Christmas presents donations for their upcoming Child in Need Christmas party, the LEOs came up with an idea to make Angel trees to put out into area businesses to have the community help. In September after a few businesses stepped up with supplies and the students at Academy programs got the patterns cut, the LEOs spent their Friday painting and assembling the trees for dissemination throughout the community.



In October, the Midtown LEOs helped the Fairmont Lions club members clean up an adopted portion of the Fairmont Lions club section of Rail Trail in Monongah. The LEO and Lions efforts collected multiple bags of trash and more off the trail and around the parking lot.



October continued to be a busy month for the Midtown LEOs, passing out candy at the Middletown Commons Trunk or Treat and then during the same week, spent their Friday and Saturday nights before Halloween, assisting the Historical Society at their Haunted Jail fundraiser.



While the Midtown LEOs were doing all their other community service in October, the community was choosing ages from the LEOs Angel trees to purchase and donate presents for the Child in Need Christmas party. While off of school for Veterans Day, the Midtown LEOs assisted the Fairmont Lions in sorting and wrapping those donated presents.



The Midtown LEOs completed their first 6 months as a chartered Lions International club with participation in both the Whitehall and Fairmont Christmas parades. They designed a float honoring the Lions mission off sight awareness.





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