

District 14-K Cabinet Meeting – August 20, 2016

LCIF Report – submitted by PDG Joe

Lions around the world are united by a great spirit of giving and dedication to helping others. As the official charitable organization of Lions Clubs International, a leading humanitarian organization, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) supports Lions' compassionate works by providing grant funding for their local and global humanitarian efforts.

WE HELP LIONS SERVE

LCIF helps Lions improve people's lives around the world, from combating vision problems to responding to major catastrophes to providing valuable life skills to youth. Because LCIF helps Lions carry out large-scale projects through our grant programs, Lions increase their impact in their local and global communities and serve even more people in need around the world.

OUR FUNDS COME FROM INDIVIDUALS

LCIF grants, on average, US\$30 million annually. Donations from 1.4 million Lions in 210 countries and geographic areas provide the vast majority of the revenue received by LCIF, making the Foundation a leading humanitarian organization. Lions know their donations matter and that funds entrusted to LCIF will support initiatives that impact communities and change lives.

WE FORM LASTING AND SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS

LCIF leverages the donations we receive through effective partnerships with other foundations, corporations and governments on the local, national and international level. We are proud that LCIF was named #1 non-governmental organization worldwide with which to partner, according to a 2007 Financial Times independent survey.

WE HAVE KEY AREAS OF SERVICE

To support Lions' mission of serving communities and meeting humanitarian needs, LCIF provides grants in these focus areas:

Saving Sight – Serving Youth – Providing Disaster Relief – Meeting Humanitarian Needs

WE MAKE AN IMPACT

LCIF and Lions reach millions of people and accomplish visible results. Some of our accomplishments include:

*preventing serious vision loss for more than 30 million people

*providing close to 153-3 million treatments for river blindness

*engaging more than 13 million students and 600,000 educators in 90 countries in the youth development program (Lions Quest).

*building or expanding 615 eye hospitals/clinics/wards

*conducting more than 19 million vision screenings for children through Sight for Kids

*providing vision screening for more than 350,000 Special Olympics athletes from 85 countries through Opening Eyes

OUR IMPACT LAST YEAR

In fiscal year 2014-2015, we had a great impact in lives around the world through 530 grants totaling US\$43 million. This included:

*14,000 people helped through 141 Emergency Grants

*More than 7 million people helped through 178 Standard Grants

*More than 166,000 students reached through 37 Lions Quest Grants

*More than 91,000 people were helped through 26 International Assistance Grants that provided clean water and access to health care through medical missions.

*31 million people with improved vision through 35 SightFirst grants

*15 countries expanded Lions Quest through 35 core 4 grants

*\$6,638,272 in grants supported the vaccination of millions of children against measles and rubella

*44 Sight First grants provided eye care services to more than 9 million people; improving 5 eye care facilities and/or trained 25,000 eye care professionals.

I hope that after have reading the above report and seeing what LCIF is accomplishing, you and your club will make every effort possible to increase your contributions to LCIF.

I have the 2016-2017 \$20 Contributing Member Pins. (New Design – looks great.

Also, have \$10 Measles Pins for sale.

Let me know if you or your club would like to purchase them.

Yours in Lionism,

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