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Lions Clubs International District A-1
District Governor's Newsletter
October 25, 2021



Message from our District Governor Lion Val Burningham:

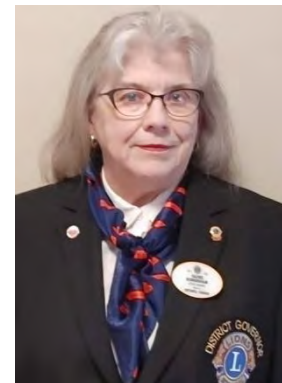
Thanks to all for coming out to the District Cabinet Meeting. I'm listening to the service and know everyone is out and trying to get back to finding new normal. We have some growing pains but we will get there. There are clubs struggling about meeting – no place to meet – no meals. Conditions allowing, we can have a short meeting together to decide what we can do in our communities. We need to be out in our communities serving. “We Serve!”. Keep up your good work!!

Looking forward to visiting more clubs, attending your functions and meeting Lions, Lions-Lioness and Leos of our great District!

I would like to take this opportunity to stress the importance of staying connected, staying in touch. Whether it be within your Zone, Region or District, communication is very important between all levels.

With service from the Heart!

DG Lion Val



Message from our DG Newsletter Editor:

It's great to know that Lions, Lions-Lioness, Leos are slowly ramping up Service, Community Projects and Fundraising as we look forward to long-awaited relief from Covid-19 restrictions!!

THANKS to ALL for your submissions!

Hopefully I haven't missed or lost any submissions by Clubs, Lions, Lioness, District Officers, Chairs, ...

UPCOMING – DG NEWSLETTER

ISSUE # 3

PUBLISH DATE: December 8, 2021

DEADLINE for Submissions

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Let others know about your Service to Community and humanity! Submit items, articles for upcoming issues. Provide Details: Description Flyers Lion-Lioness Submitting Club Names of People in Photos
PCST Lion Henry Vanderweyst EDITOR – District A-1 - DG NEWSLETTER 2021-2022



Lions International

Service from the heart!

**International President,
Douglas X. Alexander**





Lest We Forget!



In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae
~ May 3, 1915

Just **Remembering** the many Veterans of Canada's
involvement in the various world and area conflicts!
**Canadians Fighting for Our Freedom
& Serving on Peacekeeping Missions!!!**

REMEMBRANCE SERVICES may again be limited this year
but be sure to check with your local Legion or Community
Sites about Services and restrictions!

Video on 2 Minute Silence <https://youtu.be/S4LFCf-nFoQ>
**If not attending a service, take 2 minutes to play the Video
on November 11, 2021 at 11:00 AM!!!**



WEAR a POPPY
in REMEMBRANCE!



DISPLAY a POPPY
in REMEMBRANCE!



THE POPPY CAMPAIGN

For several decades the Legion has depended
on a small, but sacred symbol to express the
importance of remembering those killed in
war or in other Canadian Forces missions.
Each year, millions of red Poppies blossom
on jackets, dresses and hats, but where did the
idea come from?

BRIEF HISTORY

The origins of the Poppy's use in
Remembrance date back a full hundred years
before it was adopted in Canada. During the
Napoleonic Wars a news correspondent noted
how quickly Poppies grew over the graves of
soldiers in French Flanders. No one
strengthened Canada's bond to the Poppy
more than Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae
of Guelph, Ontario, a Canadian Medical
Officer who served in the First World War.
The soldier-poet penned

"In Flanders Fields"

on a scrap of paper while serving on the
Western Front, and to this day the words of
that poem remain enshrined in the inner-most
thoughts and hearts of all soldiers who hear
them.

Ailsa Craig & District Lions – Global Cause Environment - & - Memorial

September 26th, 2021 saw 6 Lions help 20 guests plant 3 trees in memory of their loved ones.

Family members were encouraged to help with the tree planting!

A short memorial service and lunch followed.

Several guests walked the quilt trail and explored our beautiful Ailsa Craig Lions Park.



Belle River Lions Serving Community

Busy week ahead - Stroll the Street, Friday, Oct. 22 and Diabetes Day, Saturday, Oct. 23!

STROLL the STREET – Friday, October 22, 2021

Some of the gang at 'Stroll the Street' Friday, October 22, 2021 -
Lions Daria & Mary, Mayor Tom Bain getting his hotdog,
Lions Debbie & Joyce
Leos Jace Conway (*Front*) and Leah Tellier-Hart



Minnie Mouse
(Lion Danielle Meneguzzi -
Windsor Lions Club)
and Mayor Tom



Minnie Mouse
(Lion Danielle Meneguzzi
-Windsor Lions Club)
trying to say "Hello!"
to one of the children!

It was damp and cold but the residents from Belle River came out to support the Belle River Lions Club.

Diabetes Day, Saturday, October 23, 2021



Laurie Tellier, Katie Loop, Ass't Manager Foodland, Lion
Debbie Lemire and Leo Leah Tellier-Hart at Foodland on
Diabetes Day Oct. 23/21. A Certificate of Appreciation
was presented to Foodland for once again participating in
Diabetes Day. It was cold but the funky umbrella helped!

Belle River Lions Club Diabetes Day Saturday, October 23, 2021
from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Lions Tyler & Mary along with Bonnie Pope, Ass't. Manager of
Shopper's Drugmart.

Our club presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Shopper's for
once again participating in our Diabetes Day. Cold but worth it!



Once again the Belle River Lions Club is selling Christmas Cakes (\$11 each) and shortbread (\$10 each).

Left to Right: Lion Mark Mahovlich, President of the Royal Canada Legion in Belle River Bob Brooks and President Lion Steve Mahovlich.

This is just one of the businesses that assist the club in selling cakes and shortbread.



The other businesses in Belle River and area selling are: Compeau Small Engine Repair, Edna's Restaurant, Joe's Garage, Libro Credit Union, National Bank, Outfield Diner, Rana Eye Care, Royal Bank of Canada, Sauve's Home Hardware, Top Dollar, White's Meats and Walt Desrosiers Auto Body Shop.



Wheatly Food Bank

Belle River Lions

PDG Mary & PDG Steve

Mahovlich

DISTRICT A-1

LAKESHORE LEO CLUB

Submitted by PDG Lion Joyce Mahovlich Belle River Lions Club

Lakeshore Leos Serving Community

Lakeshore Leo Club at their meeting - October 13, 2021.

Leos presented to Make-A-Wish Foundation their donation of \$1,400 from last year's Craft and Bake Sale.



Left to Right: Leo Owen Tellier-Hart, Lion Debbie Lemire, Lion Mary Mahovlich Leo Advisor, Leo Leah Tellier-Hart, Leo Keirstyn Ducharme, Leo Jace Conway (Front), Leo Kailey Ducharme, Leo Landon Diesbourg and Lion Joyce Mahovlich

Stroll the Street, Friday, Oct. 22, 2021



Leo Jace Conway and Leo Leah Tellier-Hart selling some of the crafts at 'Stroll the Street' on Friday, Oct. 22, 2021. This is in preparation for the club's upcoming Craft & Bake Sale on Saturday, November 20, 2021.

Lakeshore Leo Club – UPCOMING Craft & Bake Sale Saturday, November 20, 2021.

All proceeds going towards Noah's House, an organization in Windsor, Ontario dealing with youth and mental health issues.

Web-site: www.noahshouse.ca - it is a foundation working with youth to end the stigma of mental health. Noah's House was created to help fill the gap in mental and emotional health support.



Lakeshore Leos

Craft Sale &



Hand made Christmas cards



Hand made Bead Jewellery



Hand made Dish Cloths



Hand made Christmas ornaments



Snow Globes & Decorative Spoons

Location:

Belle River Lions Clubhouse
41 Lions Club Road,
Belle River

When:

Saturday, November 20, 2021

Time:

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**ALL PROCEEDS GOING TOWARDS
NOAH'S HOUSE IN WINDSOR!**

DISTRICT A-1

CHATHAM LIONS CLUB

Submitted by PDG Lion Seppo Kuokkanen Chatham Lions Club

Chatham Lions – Active SERVICE Summer & Fall 2021

Chatham Lions Club Activities Summer & Fall 2021



Lions Cynthia Hiatt (top left) and Mary Symons (bottom left) have arranged Club social evenings on the third Thursday of each month in order to keep the spirit up in these Covid times. Activities have included - "Getting to Know You", bingos, trivia contests with prizes available. (Below) Club members also enjoyed a pot luck social gathering at the Finlay farm... overdue membership & sponsor certificates were presented to our new Lions by Lion President Curtis. Dexter & Trooper are honorary members.



(L) Region 1 Chair Lion Joan Cope installed the Club officers during her official visit.

(Below) Club members served in several capacities at the outdoor concert in Pain Court: "Dreamer: a Supertramp Experience" as a fundraiser for Diabetes.





Delaware Lions & Lioness Clubs
Working Together in Community



Community Flowers - Effort by Delaware Lioness and Lions

Each year, for the summer months, the Delaware Lioness provide the Hanging Flowers for the Community and the Delaware Lions maintain them by watering on a daily basis from the end of May to early October!

The Flowers are purchased and paid for by The Delaware Lioness!
 The Watering and Maintenance is done by the Delaware Lions – 16 Lions (each watering twice per month) plus some spares to fill in for Lions not available on their watering Day.

Delaware Lions Flower Committee – Chaired by Lion Harold Moore – along with other Lions – Organize the Hanging & Take-Down of the Flowers & Maintain Watering Equipment.

Watering 143 Days 16 Lions 352 Hours

Maintenance - Hanging & Take-Down 6 Lions 16 Hours

Maintenance - Equipment 4 Lions 30 Hours

(Note: Hours are an estimation only!)

Delaware Village Residents and those passing through enjoy the aesthetics and recognize the efforts by the Delaware Lioness and Lions!!



Lion Eric Cornelis
Watering Day!

**WELL DONE LIONESS &
 LIONS of DELAWARE!**



Lion Nick Hedges
Filling the Tank



Lion Nick Hedges
Ready to GO!

Lion Robert Lade
 Watering Day!
 Lion Robert is in charge of
 Tractor/Watering Unit Maintenance
 (He redesigned and modified the unit
 for easier handling!)

DISTRICT A-1

DELAWARE LIONS-LIONESS CLUB

*Submitted by Lion-Lioness Mary Vanos Delaware Lions Lioness Club
Photos by Lion-Lioness Jo Ann Johnston & Lion Henry Vanderweyst Delaware Clubs*

Delaware Lions-Lioness Club Branch Fundraising For Community Projects & Service GARAGE SALE September 18, 2021



The Delaware Lioness Club held a fund-raising Garage Sale on September 18th, 2021 outdoors, in the lower parking lot of the Delaware Community Centre.

The sale was a huge success thanks to the hard work and dedication of our Delaware Lioness and Lions family as well as community residents for donations of sale items.

Volunteers: 30 (Lioness & Partners, Lions, Others)

Volunteer Hours:

Committee Planning Meetings - 5 Meetings – 7 Members -- 70 Hours

Chairperson, Administration & Assorted Duties -- 50 Hours

Sorting & Loading of Garage Sale Items / Donations -- 20 Hours

Garage Sale Event (30 volunteers x 8 Hours) -- 240 Hours

Total 380 VOLUNTEER HOURS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! (WOW)!!

Attendance: 300 Patrons came out to Support the Fundraiser

Funds Raised: \$2860.00 For Community Projects & Service Activities

Our covid friendly event was blessed with sunny skies and good attendance.

We would also like to send a special thank you to Amy of the Komoka Community Market for the use of her barriers, and B.J.'s Country Market for the use of their tents.

The Lioness are looking forward to using our garage sale profits to support our wonderful Delaware Community, Service Activities & Needy Causes!





London Central Lions – Celebrate 100 Years of Service

Saturday, September 11, 2021 the members of London Central held a community BBQ at the Lorne Avenue Park.

The sensory garden was donated as our centennial project to celebrate 100 years of service.



Lion Stewart Beausoleil, Jesse Helmer, Lion Bob Lucas, Lion Pat Nolan

Ward 4 Councillor Jesse Helmer brought congratulations from the City of London in recognition of our commitment and significant contributions to our London community.

Celebrating 100 Years



Club members hosted a BBQ with hot dogs and pop for the neighbourhood around the new Lorne Avenue Park. The sensory garden planted by the playground is the Centennial Project in celebration of the club's 100 years of service.

Ward 4 Councilor Jesse Helmer attended and brought congratulations from the City of London in recognition of our commitment and significant contributions to our London community.



Melbourne & District Lions - Busy September 2021

Mid-month of September
Lion Neil Lambert (a club charter member) became the club's first NONAGENARIAN.

A few days later Lion Neil was helping out with the club's 2nd drive-thru (sold out) Chicken BBQ where we served 168 1/2 chicken BBQ dinners complete with all the fixin's.



The month ended with a visit from DG Val Burningham of the Windsor Downtown Club (where we have been told by unconfirmed sources that they are the 'Club who made Lions Clubs International truly INTERNATIONAL').

The club presented DG Val with a token of their appreciation for all she has done and all she is doing for Lions Clubs in our district.



DISTRICT A-1

PORT STANLEY LIONS CLUB

Submitted by Lion Bob Nemett Port Stanley Lions Club

Port Stanley Lions – Poppy Sales for Legion Poppy Fund



Saturday, October 16 -- distribution of almost 900 poppies that were sold for the Port Stanley Legion Poppy Fund.

Pictured are just a couple of Port Stanley Lions with Legion representative Sherry Trowhill.

This project not only helps the local Legions but shows the public what "We Serve" really means as a Lions Club.

DISTRICT A-1

LIONS CLUB of PORT STANLEY LIONESS CLUB

Submitted by Lioness Sue Nemett

Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness

Port Stanley Lioness – Finally Receiving Charter and Serving Community

We are so pleased that during these difficult times we have still been able to fund raise and give back to our Community.

We will soon reach our first year of Service as a Lioness/Lions Club and we are proud to have been able to give over \$10,000 to our Community in that short time.

At the end of this month, we will finally receive our Charter. Because of COVID restrictions we had to put it off until we could safely meet indoors.

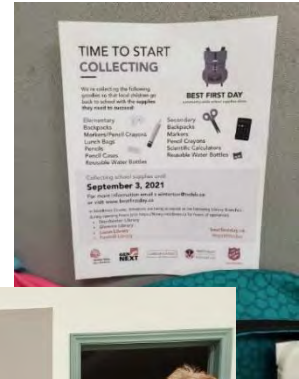
Lioness Secretary Sue Nemett

Lions Club of Port Stanley Lioness



Strathroy-Caradoc Lions - Donations – Helping KIDS LEARN & YOUTH Centre

Strathroy-Caradoc Lions donated items to the Middlesex County "Best First Day" community-wide school supplies drive for students. Strathroy-Caradoc Lions – Collected and Donated – School Supplies local schools for kids who need help!



to



We are not the only club that can do this. Lots of the kids today need help getting school supplies.

We suggest that other Clubs might check the school(s) in their areas to see if they would like some help! Check with your members to see if this could be a great Club Service in your respective communities currently and/or in coming years!!

DONATION to 'FRANK' – Youth Centre in Strathroy



We did an auction on face-book and all the proceeds went to the refuge for young adults with no other place to find a clean bed, shower and food for the night.

As well there are people to help them find a good place to stay once they get back on their feet.

It has been running for about 1 1/2 at full strength. With staff and all things working correctly.

DISTRICT A-1 LION KEITH RYAN CHAIR ZONE 7

Submitted by - Lion Keith Ryan — District A-1 ZC Zone 7

CLUB VISIT to Delaware Lions-Lioness Club Branch

On Tuesday September 21st, I attended Delaware Lions-Lioness Club for my first official visit as a Zone Chairperson. It was nice to finally meet in person again and have conversation face to face.

During our meeting I was able to present “**In the Zone**” **Award** to Lioness Donna Potter for all of her hard work and dedication to the club.

President Lioness Pat Jackson was also presented with **International Presidents Award** for her hard work, time and effort with bridging the Lioness club into a branch club of the Delaware Lions Club.

Congratulations to both on your awards, very well deserved.



Delaware Lioness Donna Potter & ZC Keith Ryan



Delaware Lion-Lioness Charter President Pat Jackson & ZC Keith Ryan

ZONE 7 – ZONE ADVISORY MEETING

During our Zone 7 Advisory Meeting, RC Carol Stankevich and ZC Keith Ryan presented Melbourne Lions Club with a certificate for their 40th Anniversary, celebrated on February 29th, 2020. Due to Covid, the award couldn't be presented until we met in person. Congratulations Melbourne Lions, here's to another 40 years.



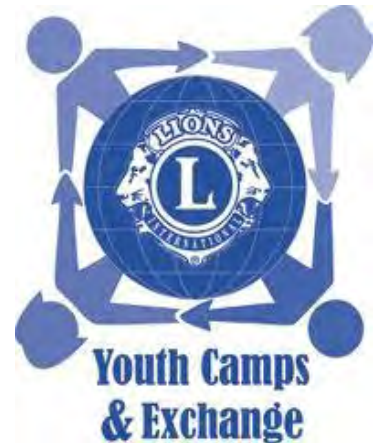
Melbourne Lions President Kevin Futcher / ZC Keith Ryan / RC Carol Stankevich

DISTRICT A-1 2022

Youth Exchange

Message from District A-1 Youth Exchange Chair

Youth Exchange all over the world is very hopeful that we will be successful in having exchanges and camps in 2022 but it is a very slow start for all of us as we delve into the multitude of changes COVID has brought to our door.



We expect youth will arrive in Toronto on July 2nd, 2022 to go to their first host family. Exchange for the second host family will happen July 13th, 2022. Camp will start on July 23rd, 2022 with departure of the youth being August 30th, 2022.

I will be asking for proof of double vaccination from the youth who do apply to come to the LionAl Betterly Youth Camp and as well I will be asking the same of the host families. I want to ensure that all involved in the exchange are as safe as possible as we move forward.

Recently I have had a meeting with the Mount Brydges Lions Club who has so generously allowed us to have the camp on their grounds in Mount Brydges along with storing our supplies. Unfortunately, last year Mount Brydges was notified that the arena located there is in danger of closing within 2 to 5 years. This closure impacts the Youth Exchange Camp completely as we have been allowed to use the washroom facilities and showers during our camp.

As well, Mount Brydges is undergoing a residential growth explosion and there is a large subdivision being built across the road from where we generally locate our tents which also brings concerns as to whether this location is suitable or not in the foreseeable future. To that end, I have started a conversation with Scouts Canada in the hopes of procuring a week at Camp Sylvan located near Parkhill. I am awaiting pricing from Scouts Canada in this regard. As well there are a few other locations that I am looking into as to whether they would be suitable or not. Camp Sylvan offers a fully equipped kitchen and a bunk house which is large enough for the youth and counsellors to stay in one building with washroom and shower facilities contained in that building as well.

Once I have a camp site procured for July 2022, I will be requesting host families so that I can start to accept youth applications. I have had requests from European Youth Exchange Chairs asking to send a youth to us.

I will keep everyone informed as I go through this camp process.

Lion Dianne Piggott
District A-1 Youth Exchange Chair

DISTRICT A1 LIONS: EFFECTIVE SPEAKING 2022



Categories: English & French

Divisions: Junior: grades - 4, 5 & 6

Intermediate: grades - 7, 8 & 9

Senior: grades 10, 11 & 12

**District A1 finals: Sun. March 27, 2022
organized & hosted by the Chatham Lions Club**

**MDA Finals: May 6 & 7, 2022
Sarnia / Point Edward
Organized & hosted by the Petrolia Lions Club**

**For more information contact the Chatham Lions Club
or lionseppo@cogeco.ca**

Keep our LIONS PROGRAMS in mind!

Lions Programs need your support!

These and other programs in our District and at the Club level must go on and can only do so with your support!

Sources: Various – including the DISTRICT A-1 WEBSITE!

Check out the Website www.districta1lions.com

Great Source of links to useful guidelines and information!!

Check Directory for Program Chairs and Contact Information



Lions Foundation of Canada

From guiding their handlers through their daily lives to getting help when it's needed most, Dog Guides play a crucial role in the lives of Canadians with disabilities. Lions Foundation of Canada's mission is to assist Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost.

LFC DOG GUIDES PROGRAMS

Canine Vision for people who are blind or visually impaired

Hearing for people who are deaf or hard of hearing

Autism Assistance for children who have autism spectrum disorder

Service for people who have a physical disability

Seizure Response for people who have epilepsy

Diabetic Alert for people who have diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness

Support for use by professional agencies with individuals in traumatic situations



Youth Exchange

Youth are encouraged to use their travel opportunity to share and experience different cultures!

Exchanges typically last for 4-6 weeks with the help of host families sponsor and host clubs, districts or multiple districts.

Club Support is crucial to the Success of the Camp Program.

In the current situation Youth Exchange had to be cancelled but we need to look forward to 2022 in the hopes that it will happen next year!



EYES RIGHT

Over 100,000 patients have received eye care employing equipment funded by EYES RIGHT.

Supporting vision healthcare in Southwestern Ontario.

We are always looking for another project.



Lions Quest Canada

Centre for Positive Youth Development!

Lions Quest Canada is dedicated to fostering positive youth development by producing and supplying effective tools including

innovative and well-researched programs, products, training and services for youth, parents, educators, and community leaders to have an influence all aspects of young people's lives.

Proudly Supported by the Lions Clubs of Canada



Peter's Bus

Transportation to Lake Joe Summer Camp

Peter's Bus takes campers of all ages to the CNIB Camp on Lake Joseph in beautiful Muskoka Ontario Canada. This bus trip, supported by the District, is organized by Lion Peter Best of the Windsor Downtown Club and is unique to District A1.



Gift of Life

In Ontario, over 1,500 people are waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant, their only treatment option, and every 3 days someone will die because they did not get their transplant in time.

But you can help. When you register your consent for organ and tissue donation, you let those waiting know that you would help them if you could.



Lions Camp Dorset

Lions Camp Dorset was founded & continues to be supported by the Lions & Lioness Clubs of Ontario. Camp Dorset has grown to enhance the dialysis patient's vacation experience. Despite its size, Camp Dorset manages to maintain its grass roots style. While services expand, the client's cost is kept to a minimum. The result is a state-of-the-art dialysis treatment facility which provides a place for a family getaway into the heart of Ontario's vacation land.



Diabetes

Diabetes Canada

Diabetes is the signature cause of Lions and Leos around the world.

Diabetes can lead to serious diseases affecting the heart and blood vessels, eyes, kidneys, nerves and teeth. In most high-income countries, diabetes is a leading cause of cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney failure, and lower limb amputation.

Lions want to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.



Hearing & Vision

Hearing

We serve to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.

We have a long history of serving the blind and visually impaired, the deaf and hearing impaired. We remain committed to continuing this mission into our next century of service.

We collect & recycle both eyeglasses & hearing aids and have collection boxes throughout our communities.



Peace Poster Contest

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.



Environment

Environment

We serve to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.

Lions and Leos serve to strengthen the relationship between the community and its environment. We've seen how our stewardship of natural resources can improve quality of life and increase engagement in our local communities.



Leader Dogs for the Blind

At Leader Dogs for the Blind we believe that everyone deserves a life of independence and mobility. All of our services are provided free of charge to our clients, including travel in the U.S. and Canada, room and board, equipment and training. This means that no one is excluded from living their most fulfilling life due to lack of funds.



EFFECTIVE SPEAKING

District A-1 and MD'A' annually promote and host the Effective Speaking Program for Youth of Elementary and Secondary School Age!

Lions Clubs host Effective Speaking Programs for local Youth with local Winners advancing to the District A-1 Speak-Off and Winners advance to the MD'A' Speak-Off!



LIONS OF CANADA INFO:

FYI for All Lions and Clubs of District A-1

- Awareness Promotion Posters (For your use!)
- Membership
- LCIF Donations to Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF

Lions of Canada Marketing / Promotions in our Communities

This year we encourage every Lion and Lions club to use our Global Cause posters to promote Awareness of Lions activities to your local public.

Sep - [Disaster Relief](#)

Oct - [Vision](#)

Nov - [Diabetes](#)

Dec - [Hunger](#)

Jan - [Hunger](#)

Feb - [Childhood Cancer](#)

NB: Add your contact info to each poster.

Lions of Canada Membership: While our membership drops exceeded 500 in July and August, community members are joining, with our clubs reporting **326 new members**. Volunteers are anxious to find ways to serve. We just need to ask them to be Lions, and then make sure they are included in our service locally and globally.

Our 31 Districts in 8 Multiple Districts have modest goals to grow by a net of 1389 this year.

Multiple District	Currently	Goal
19	-8	+88
49	-1	+4
5	-20	+170
5M	-27	+58
A	-62	+613
C	-36	+169
N	-20	+202
U	-34	+85

Let's

Each One Bring One

*New Member to our Clubs
to sustain our Service Capacity*

The Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation)



LCIF serves Lions. Lions serve the World - LCIF enhances the service of Lions through support for large-scale projects with help in funding!
Disaster Relief Grants / Emergency Grants / Community Recovery Grants / Major Catastrophe Grants

Canadian Clubs Donating to LCIF can do so in Canadian Funds by submitting the donations to The Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF!

Send Donations to:

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF

C/O Stan Durward

Box 38

Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0

Canada

Disaster Grant Programs



Lions worldwide continue to prioritize disaster relief as one of their most important local service activities. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) now offers a wide variety of funding options designed to support Lions-led relief efforts during the various stages of disaster relief operations. Lions are key figures in their communities and play a vital role in this process. Lions are responsible for assessing the needs in their district to maximize their relief efforts. Depending on the needs within the community and the Lions' plan of action, expanded funding options from LCIF enable the Lions to have a greater impact in the communities where they live and serve.



A grant for every phase of disaster



Disaster & Emergency Preparedness

The **Disaster Preparedness Grant** is for Lions districts interested in partnering with local authorities and other community organizations to plan and prepare for *future* relief efforts. The goal is to determine the Lions' role in the community before the disaster strikes.

- Grants available in amounts of US\$5,000 – US\$10,000
- Districts may apply once in a three year period; clubs may not apply
- Local funds must account for 10% of the grant request
- Must be applied for in advance of a disaster
- Priority will be given to districts susceptible to regular and repeated natural disasters and those that appoint ALERT Chairpersons (or equivalent position).
- Funds must be spent within 6 months of receipt
- The request must detail how the Lions' project supports the community's overall local emergency and disaster preparedness plan

What types of activities are eligible? Lions participation in local emergency response and ALERT training programs; stockpiling of key materials and supplies for future response including assembly of ALERT kits; advance support for first responders, food banks, medical facilities and shelters; outreach activities to community preparedness, education and awareness

Immediate Needs

The **Emergency Grant** is for Lions districts interested in addressing the immediate needs of disaster victims in the wake of a natural disaster.

- Grants available in amounts of US\$5,000 – US\$10,000
- District Governor must apply **within 30 days** of the disaster's occurrence; clubs may not apply
- At least 100 people need to be impacted and/or displaced by the disaster
- Funds must be spent within 30 days of receipt
- The request must detail the Lions' plan of action for their active involvement in providing immediate relief aid to disaster victims

What types of activities are eligible? The purchase and distribution of basic necessities, such as food, water, clothing, blankets, first-aid items, and cleaning supplies

Short-Term Relief Services

The **Community Recovery Grant** is for Lions districts interested in supporting short-term clean-up and repair efforts when other organizations have already met immediate needs. The relief effort will focus on a smaller or specific population among those impacted by the disaster.

- Grants available in amounts up to US\$20,000
- District Governor must apply **within 60 days** of the disaster's occurrence; clubs may not apply
- Districts may apply once in a 6 month period
- At least 100 people need to be impacted and/or displaced by the disaster
- Construction projects are not eligible
- Funds must be spent within 60 days of receipt
- The request must detail the Lions' plan of action based on their assessment of short-term needs; including a budget and timeline.

What types of activities are eligible? The purchase of equipment and supplies for debris removal; equipment and materials for minor repair and refurbishment of groups of homes, medical facilities, schools and other public institutions; coordination of blood drives; and temporary/mobile eye care clinics for disaster victims to replace lost glasses

Long-term Construction/Equipment

The **Standard Grant** is for Lions districts interested in rebuilding or equipping vital public facilities, such as schools, medical facilities, and centers for the elderly and disabled that were damaged by a natural disaster. This is a matching grant opportunity requiring local funding from the Lions. The grant range is US\$10,000 - US\$100,000. Additional criteria apply. Please refer to the Standard Grant Criteria and Application.

Important Points:

- There is a separate grant application and criteria for each type of grant. Other criteria apply.
- Districts may apply for either an Emergency Grant or Community Recovery Grant, but not both.
- Disaster funds may not be handed over to another agency, group or organization. The Lions must lead the projects or relief efforts.
- A final report is required upon the completion of the grant project. Failure to submit the report in a timely manner may impact the district's eligibility to obtain future grants.