D8 Global Service Team (GST) Report for August 16, 2025 Cabinet Meeting

Presented by: Lion Dr. Brenda Kay Toler, District GST Coordinator

1. Overview

The 2025–2026 Lions year is off to a strong start with a renewed commitment to impactful service. Our district has made significant progress in aligning our clubs with the global causes and encouraging strategic planning, collaboration, and reporting. Reports this year will highlight current accomplishments, ongoing projects, and future strategies. Be aware of new initiatives such as Mental Health and Well-Being week- October 4-12, 2025

2. Global Service Framework - Priority Focus Areas

The district has been actively promoting all five of LCI's global causes:

- Vision
- Hunger
- Environment
- Childhood Cancer
- Diabetes

We are also emphasizing the **LCIF** partnership and **Disaster Relief** service efforts.

3. Service Metrics & Reporting (as of August 16, 2025)

Metric	Value
Total Service Activities	543
Total People Served	160,622
Number of Clubs Reporting	31%
Number of Projects by Cause	9 categories Administrative, Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Disaster Relief, Environment, Humanitarian, Hunger, Vision, and Youth

Cause Breakdown:

• Vision: 52 Service Activities - 17,003 People Served

OH6 has highest metrics - 9 activities; 8,983 people served

• Hunger: 63 Service Activities - 14,545 People Served

OH4 has the highest metrics - 25 activities; 5347 people served

• Environment: 49 Service Activities - 34,892 people served

OH4 has the highest metrics - 14 activities; OH6 10,271 people served (note the two different districts for this metric

• Diabetes: 1 Service Activity - 20 people served

OH2 has the highest metric - 1 activity; 20 people served

• Childhood Cancer: 9 Service Activities - 418 people served

OH7 has the highest metrics - 3 Service Activities; 203 people served

Disaster Relief / LCIF Support: 6 Service Activities 1,000 people served

OH2 AND OH7 have the highest metrics – 3 activities; 500 people served



Goal: Increase service reporting by at least 20% by April 2026.

4. Highlights of Completed Service Projects

• [Project Name] (Club name and date)

Description: [Brief summary – impact, people served, uniqueness]

• [Project Name] – A district-wide initiative to [describe].

Partners: (if any, like Red Cross, Rotary, etc.)

• LCIF Grant Utilization – (If applicable, describe how funds were used)

5. Challenges Identified

- Low service reporting in Club/Zone
- Lack of awareness around the global causes and new initiatives
- Inconsistent project documentation
- Difficulty engaging newer clubs in large-scale service

6. Strategies for the Remainder of the Year

- Club Officer Training: Focus on MyLion usage and service planning.
- Monthly Reporting Check-ins: With zone chairs and club GSTs.
- District Service Months: Planned for Fall Into Service during September, October & November.
- **Recognition Program:** For top-serving clubs and innovative projects.
- Partnership Development: Encourage clubs to partner with other organizations, etc.

7. Goals for 2025-2026

Clubs Reporting Service	100% by May 2026
People Served (District-wide)	
District-Wide Projects per Quarter	At least 1
Increase LCIF Awareness & Support	

8. Requests for Support from Cabinet

- Encourage all DG Team & Zone Chairs to emphasize timely reporting.
- Share successful service models to inspire underperforming clubs.
- Help facilitate joint service projects across clubs/zones.
- Support funding/visibility for district-wide service events.

9. Conclusion

Our clubs are serving with heart and passion. With continued teamwork, we can meet and exceed our service goals, amplifying our district's impact and strengthening the Lions legacy.

"Where there's a need, there's a Lion. Let's continue leading through service."

The theme for Lions Clubs International for the 2025-2026 year is "The purpose of life is to have a life of purpose," as introduced by the 2025-2026 International President, A.P. Singh. Additionally, the Peace Poster Contest theme for the same year is "Together As One," promoting unity and collaboration among youth.

Please note that we are not yet approved to use the new presidential pin in any print form.

"Lead to serve, Serve to Lead"

Respectfully submitted,

GST Lion Dr. Brenda Kay Toler

District Global Service Team Coordinator

Email: drbktoler@gmail.com

Phone: 614.395.8637

