

Report to the Governor - Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation (OLERF)

Dear Governor Mike, the OH5 Cabinet and all OH5 Lions

In my August 2022 report I was able to give a complete list of the research grants we awarded for the 2022-23 academic year. This year the grant proposals we received totaled more than our incoming donations. As such we haven't yet finalized the list of grants we will award.

This is good because our foundation is being recognized by the research community, and disappointing because we don't have the funds requested.

In short, overall, the donations to OLERF are down and the demand is up.

Has your club considered a fund raiser for eye research? Many clubs hold special events for external organizations. Why not the <u>Ohio Lions</u> Eye Research Foundation? Walk-a-thons, 5K races, trivia night, comedy night, karaoke night, afternoon tea with a lion....

Thank you for your past and future support.

Respectfully submitted, PDG Jeff Sweeney

