

New Member Orientation

District A2 Lions





Video Link

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New Member Orientation Summary



New member orientation is broken out into four sections:

- Who Lions Are
- Your Club
- District and Multiple District
- Lions International

Lions are men and women dedicated to serving those in need, whether in their own community or around the world.

- Over 1.4 million members
- Over 200 countries
- More than 48,000 clubs



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Discussion:

Why Did You Become A LION?



Why People Volunteer



- They desire to help others.
- They want to develop, refine, apply, and share their leadership and organizational skills in productive activities.
- They want to be part of activities that make a positive difference to their neighborhood, community, country, and world.



Purposes of a LIONS Club



- Provide Fellowship & Social Activities
- Identify & Meet the Needs of the Community
- Connect with other Community Leaders to Build a Better Community
- Connect with Other LIONS Clubs to Identify and Collectively Meet the Needs Others



- **Vision Statement:** To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.
- **Mission Statement:** To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.
- **Motto:** “We Serve”
- **Slogan:** Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation’s Safety
Loving, Individuals, Offering, Needed, Service
- **Purposes:** LCI has a list of purposes to convey why Lions clubs exist.
- **Code of Ethics:** LCI has a code of ethics which set the standard that Lions should aspire to adhere to.



Lions Clubs International

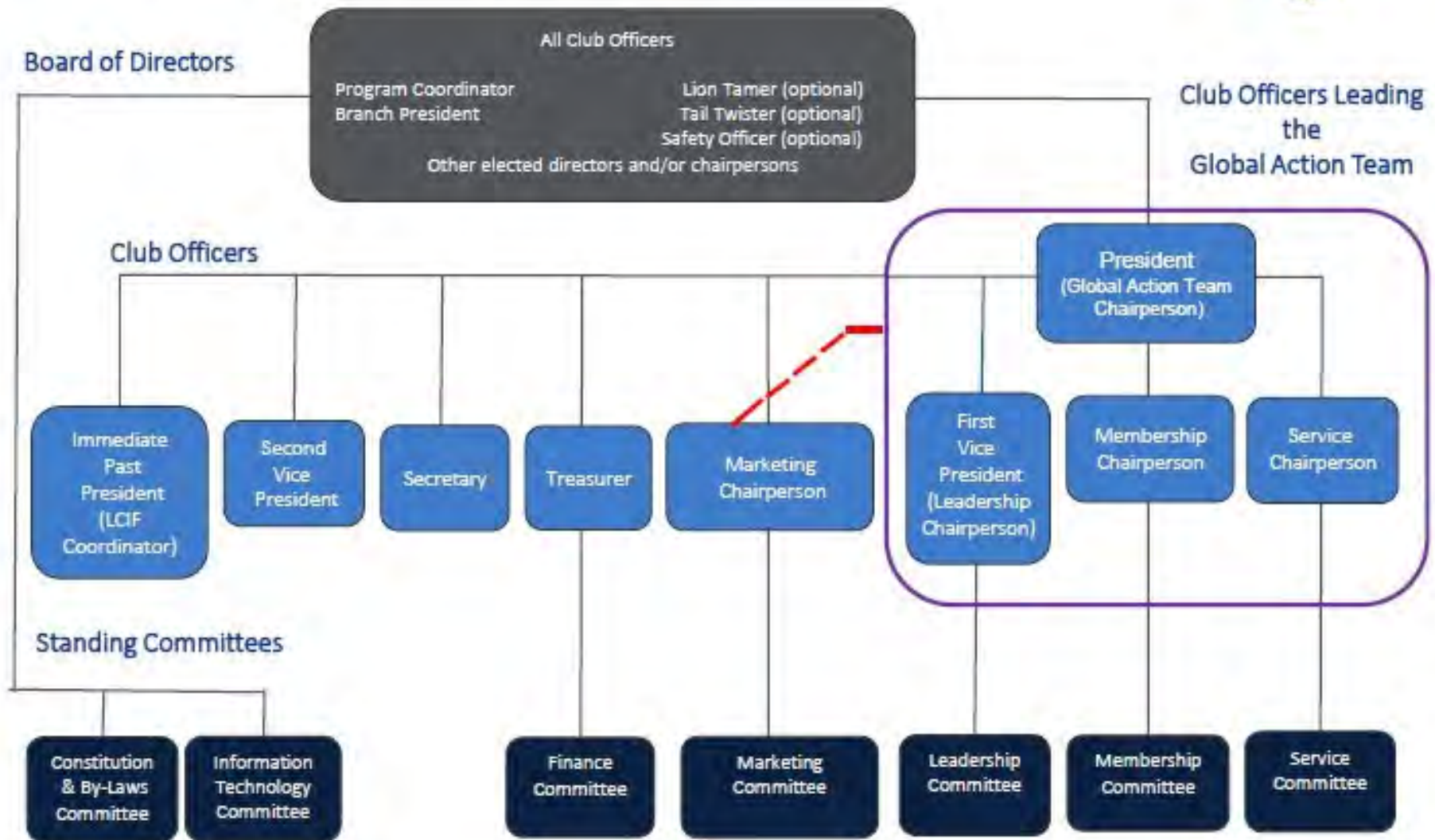


Lions Club Structure/Operations

Standard Club Structure



Standard Club Structure



Club Officers - Duties



- **President..... Lead, Plan, Inspire, Communicate**
- **IPP..... Mentor Current Officers (LCIF Coordinator)**
- **1st VP..... Prepares for Club Leadership and Directs Committees**
- **Secretary..... Administers Club Information and Data assisted by the Club Service Chair**
- **Treasurer..... Administers Club Finances (Administration & Activity)**
- **Membership..... Leads Membership Growth Committee**
- **2nd Year Directors..... Provides Guidance to the Board of Directors**
- **1st Year Directors..... Provides Guidance to the Board of Directors**
- **Appointed Lions:**
 - Tail Twister..... Helps Make Meeting Fun**
 - Lion Tamer..... Greeter, Cares for Club Equipment**

- Officers are elected annually in April.
- Immediate past President appoints a nomination committee in March
- The nomination committee encourages candidates.

Any Lion can run for any position and this is encouraged!!

- The new term begins July 1st.

While service is its own reward, special accomplishments and milestones are recognized and celebrated. The awards below are awards that all Lions can achieve.

- Membership Keys
- Chevrons
- Member Sponsor Recognition
- Extension Awards
- Club Banner Patches



- Consider what is important in your community
- Where There's a Need, There's a Lion
- Consider the use of the Community Needs Assessment tool to explore
- What are the strengths and interests within our club?
- What current and future community partnerships and collaborations do you want to explore
- Set Annual Goals to help guide your club

- **When:** Club Dependent: Board of Directors Meetings-
Monthly Plus General General Meetings
- **Where:** is the area Accessible? Well Advertised?
- **Agendas:** should be sent out the week Prior to
each meeting
- **Minutes:** sent out prior to the next meeting

- **Total Dues**
 - Club dues: **Established by each club**
 - District and multiple district dues:
District - \$8.00 MD - \$14.50
 - International dues:
US \$50.00 in 2025
- **Activities Budget – Funds dedicated to Service Activities Only-cannot be used otherwise**
- **Administrative Budget – Funds dedicated to Membership Activities-Money that can be used by Lions Members**

Role of your Sponsor and you



- Sponsors
- To assist and Mentor you in the club
- To Provide suggests and answer questions

- Your role as a Lion:
 - What are my strengths and interests?
 - What do I want to learn/contribute to?
 - What new ideas and suggestions do I have?
 - How else can I learn about Lions-Lions Learning Centre,
 - Attend Zone Meetings, Cabinet meetings, A2 Friendship Convention and MDA Conventions



Lions Clubs International



**District and Multiple District
we are
Lions District A-2
Multiple Lions District MD-A**



2024-2025
District A-2 Directory



Lion Wilrik Banda

District A-2 Governor

Lion Fabricio Oliveira

International President



- Globally there are about 750 districts with 35 or more clubs in each district.
 - Each district has a district governor
- We are in District A-2
- We are in Multiple District A (aka MD-A)
- We are part of Lions Constitutional Area 2 (Canada)
- There are 8 Constitutional Areas:
 - USA & Caribbean, Canada, Latin America, Europa, Orient - SE Asia, India - South Asia - Middle East, Australia - New Zealand – Indonesia - Pacific Islands, Africa

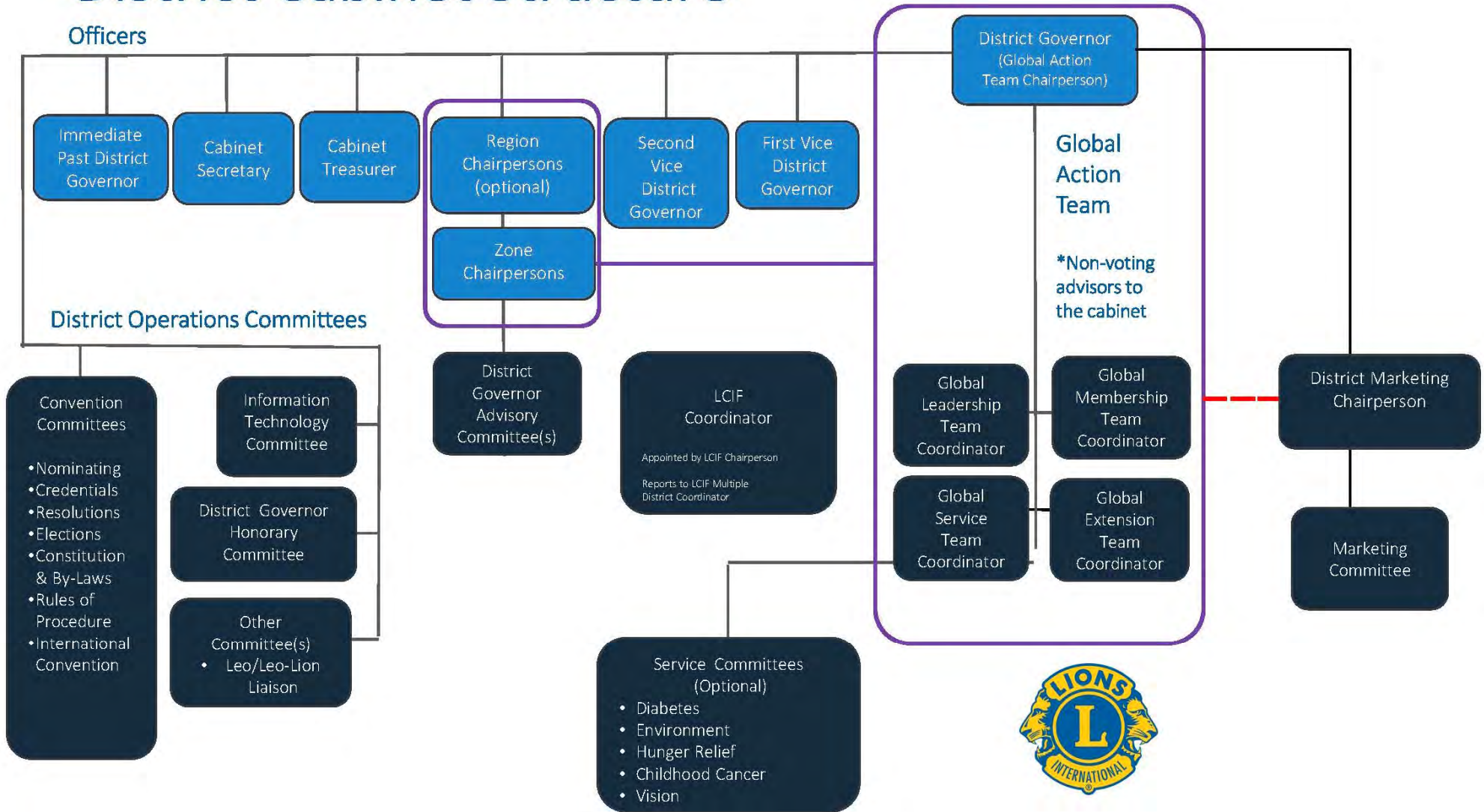
District A-2 Lions Clubs



Organizational Structure



District Cabinet Structure



Clubs by Region & Zones



REGION 4	REGION 38	REGION 5
<p>ZONE EAST</p> <p>Port Dover St. Williams Simcoe Simcoe Lynn Valley South Brant Vittoria Waterford</p>	<p>ZONE EAST</p> <p>Beamsville & District Fenwick Fonthill Grimsby & District Lincoln Lions Branch Jordan Port Colborne Wainfleet Welland</p>	<p>ZONE NORTH</p> <p>Garden City Grantham Merritton Niagara Port Dalhousie St. Davids & District St. Davids & District Lioness Lions Branch Thorold</p>
<p>ZONE WEST</p> <p>Courtland & District Dereham Langton Long Point Long Point Lioness Lions Tillsonburg Vienna</p>	<p>ZONE WEST</p> <p>Caledonia Dunnville Fisherville & District Hagersville District Jarvis Selkirk Townsend</p>	<p>ZONE SOUTH</p> <p>Chippawa Fort Erie Niagara Cyber Niagara Falls Ridgeway Ridgeway Lioness Lions Stamford</p>

- **District Governor:** Lion Wilrik Banda
- **First Vice District Governor:** Lion Louise Agnew
- **Second Vice District Governor:** Lion Martin Forster
- **Cabinet Secretary** Lion Chris Huskins
- **Treasurer:** Lion Pawel Pach
- **Region Chairperson:** Lions Scott Hill 38, Blair Oatman 4, Christine Beswick 5
- **Zone Chairperson: Region 38 E/W, Region 4, E/W, Region 5 N/S**
- **Global Action Team:**
 - Global Action Team District Chairperson (District Governor): Lion Wilrik Banda
 - Global Membership Team District Coordinator: Lion Geoff Crane
 - Global Extension Team: Lion Steve Burrows
 - Global Leadership Team District Coordinator: Lion Jim Rohrbach
 - Global Service Team District Coordinator: Lion Michelle Campbell

Role of the Zone Chairs

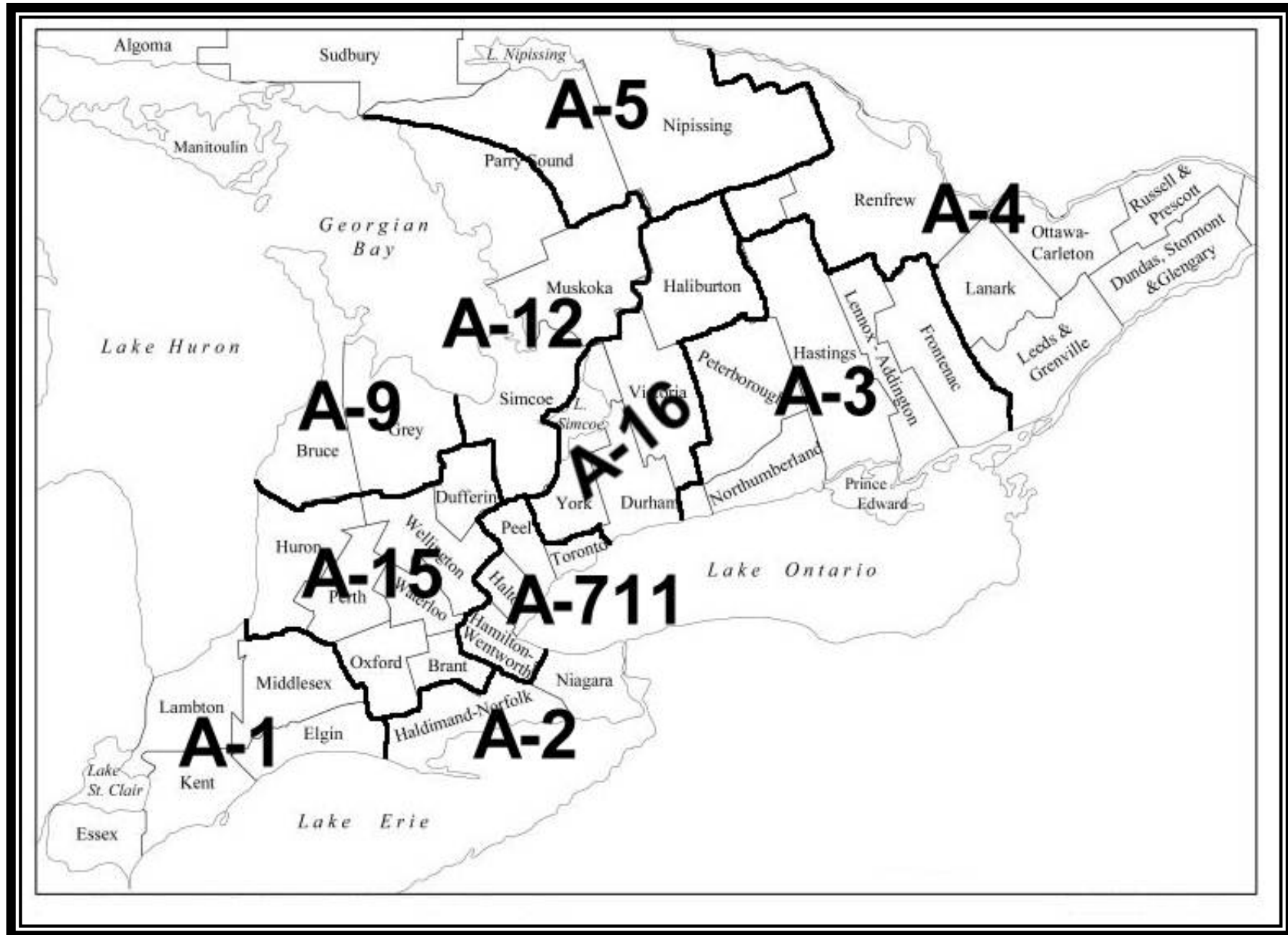


- Link Between the District and the Clubs
- Vital Role of communication and supporting the clubs in their Zones
- Organize the 3 Zone Meetings (rotated between the 2 Zones)
- Club Visitations to each Club in their Zone
- Induct New Members
- Provide support and suggest resources
- Act as a role model to other Lions
- Look for other potential Leaders and encourage development

Stretch Break



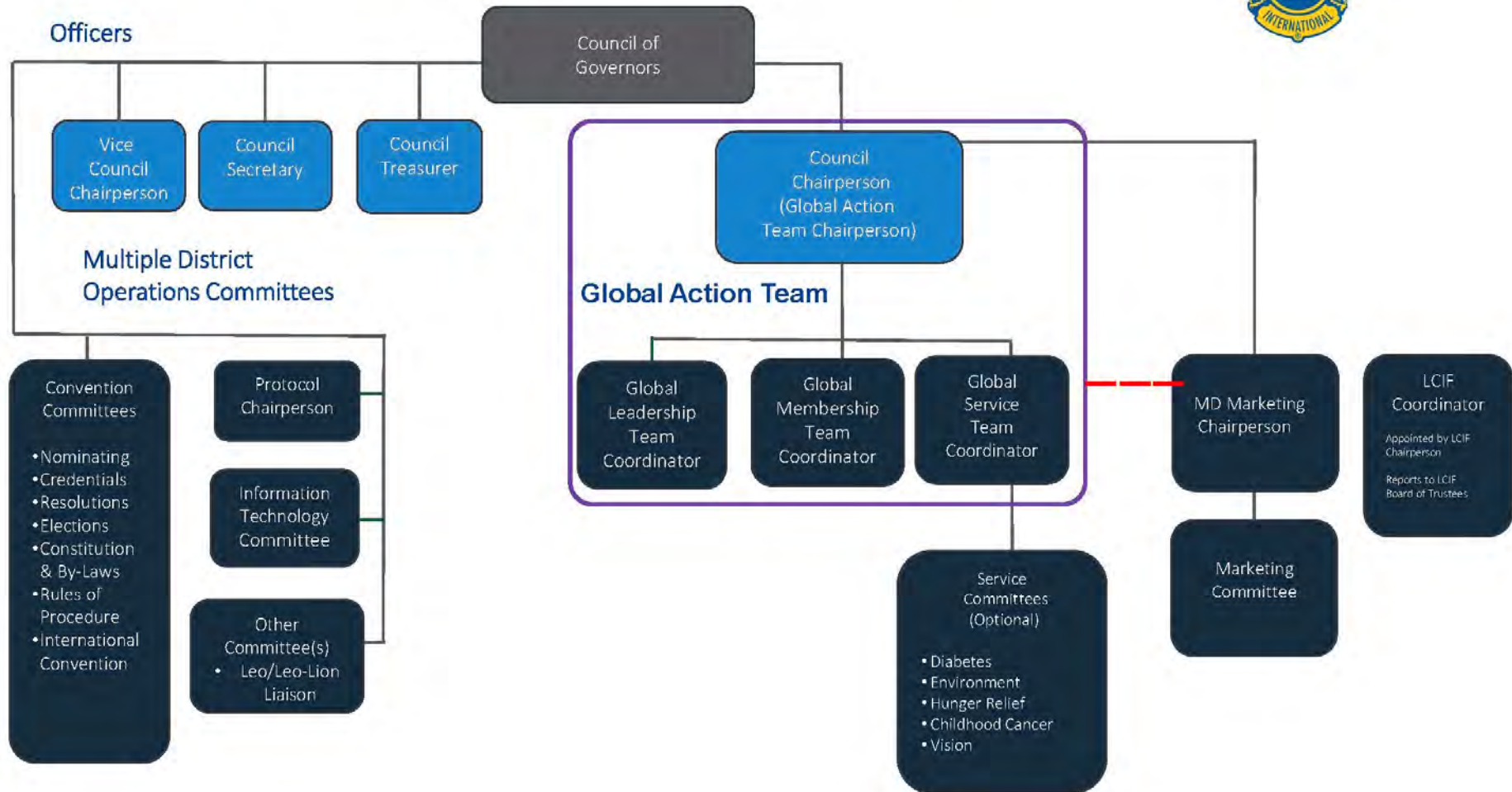
Multiple District A



Multiple District Administration Structure

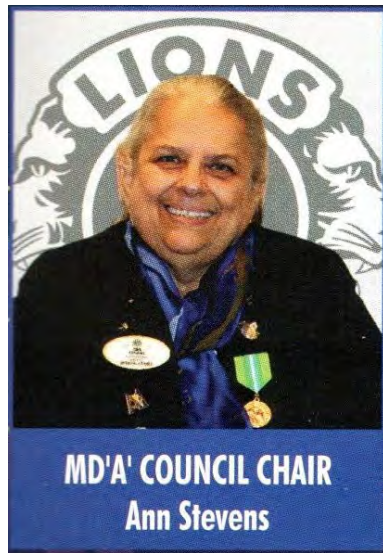


Multiple District Council Structure



- **District & MD Conventions are held to:**
 - Develop fellowship among the Lions of the District and Multiple District
 - Conduct general District & MD Business
 - Elect the District Governor and other Elected District Officers
 - Endorse or Elect Candidates for Lions International Positions
 - Conduct seminars or hold service activities

MDA Council of Governors 2024-2025





- Hosted by the Ripley & District Lions Club
- Port Elgin-Unifor Educational Centre



- Zone Meetings (3x a year) Run by the Sitting Zone Chairs
- Fall Region Rally (once a year)-Run by sitting Region Chairs
- District information, meetings etc. emailed to clubs from the District Secretary
- District web-site (a2lions.org) & facebook page
- Lions magazine (print & electronic versions)



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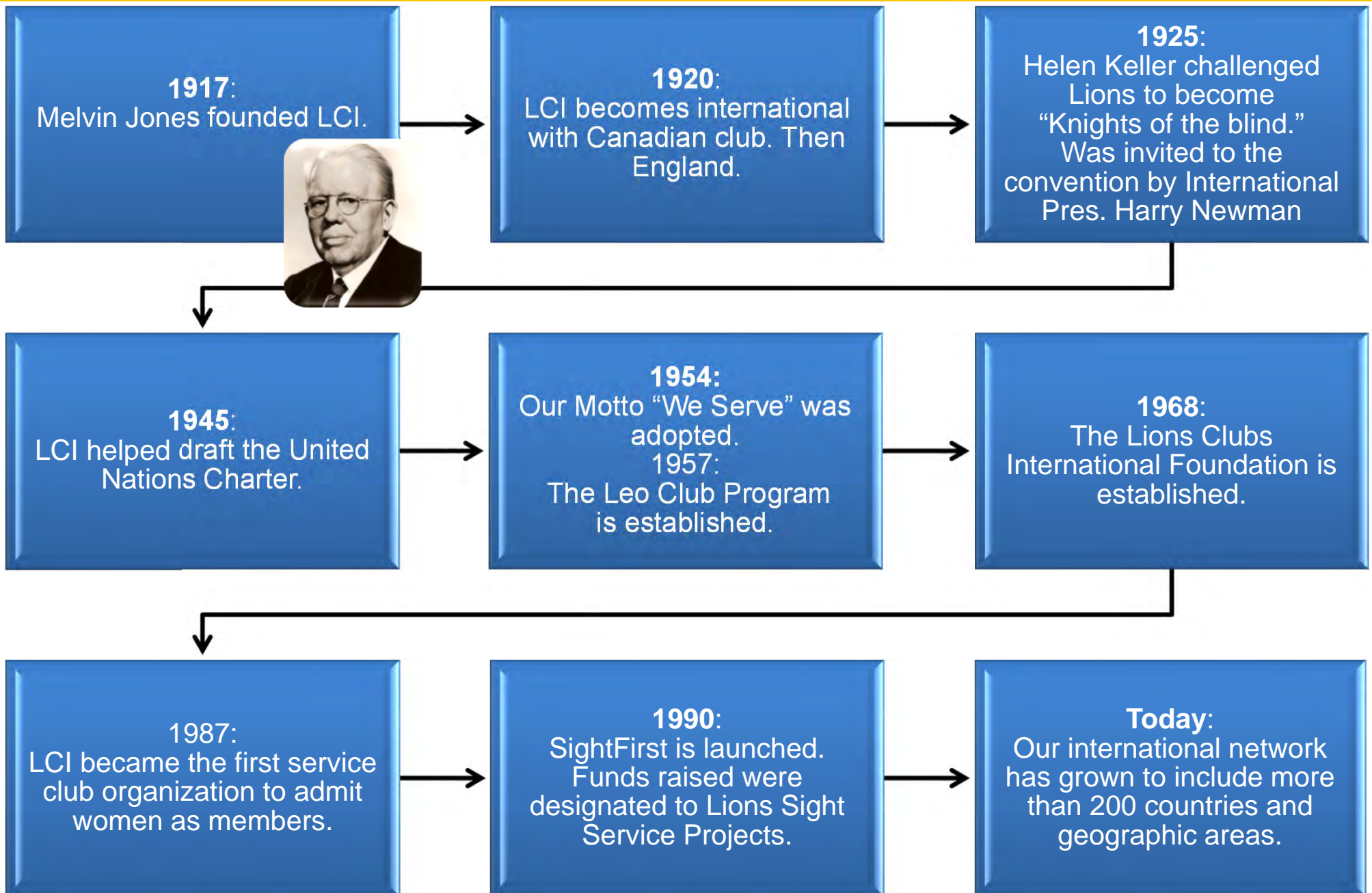


Lions International

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History



Name and Logo



- The official name of the association is “The International Association of Lions Clubs” or simply “Lions International.”
- The name Lions was chosen on a secret ballot over several others because the lion stood for strength, courage, vigor and good fellowship.
- The Lions logo consists of a gold “L” on a blue field surrounded by a gold circle. On either side of the circle is the profile of a Lion’s head, one looking back upon a proud past and the other looking optimistically toward the future.



Lions Logo Refresh

In nearly 100 years of use, the Lions logo has changed and evolved. But it has always stood for the same idea:

We Serve



1917: Note the visual pun in this early logo: a Lion and a club.

1920: This rendering with monogrammed L and back-to-back lions is the basis for the logo today.



Recent



Current



Centennial

- **International officers implement policy and serve as inspirational leaders of the world's Lions.**
 - **International President:** Lion Fabricio Oliveria (Brazil)
 - **First Vice President:** Lion A. P. Singh (India)
 - **Second Vice President:** Lion Mark S. Lyon (USA)
 - **Third Vice President:** Lion Manoj Shah (Kenya)
 - **Immediate Past President/LCIF Chairperson:** Lion Dr. Patti Hill (Canada)

- **The International Board of Directors is the governing body of the association.**
 - 34 members

- **The International Constitution and By-Laws govern the operations of the association and establish the rules by which the association is to function.**

Convention brings together thousands of Lions from around the world for a week of business, education, celebration and fellowship.

- **2025:** Mexico City, Mexico
- **2026:** Hong Kong
- **2027:** Washington, D.C.
- **2028:** Singapore
- **2029:** Minneapolis, Minnesota
- **2030:** San Antonio, Texas
- **2031:** Helsinki, Finland

International Headquarters



- **Located in Oak Brook Illinois**
- **Approximately 275 staff members in 11 divisions:**
 - Convention
 - District and Club Administration
 - Finance
 - Information Technology
 - Leadership Development
 - Legal
 - Marketing
 - Membership
 - Member Operations and Support
 - Service Activities
 - **Lions Clubs International Foundation**





Lions Clubs International



Lions Clubs International Foundation LCIF



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Important Facts

- Founded in 1968: official foundation of Lions Clubs International, empowering the service of Lions
- Provides grant funding for large-scale humanitarian projects
- Relies on donations
- More than US\$1 billion in grants awarded to date
- Amidst the most ambitious fundraising campaign in its history



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

50+ Years of Impact

- US\$120 million in disaster relief funding
- 16 million children served by Lions Quest
- 9.1 million cataract surgeries
- Millions of children vaccinated against measles

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF

- Club & Personal Contributions Fund LCIF Activities
In Canada and Beyond

www.lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca

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Because Lions seek to address the greatest needs in their communities, our activities are varied, although Lions are united behind Eight global causes.

- **Diabetes**
- **Vision**
- **Hunger**
- **Environment**
- **Childhood Cancer**
- **Humanitarian Need**
- **Disaster Relief**
- **Youth**

The Global Service Team (GST) is the driving force behind these programs and collects and shares service stories that empower leaders to act.

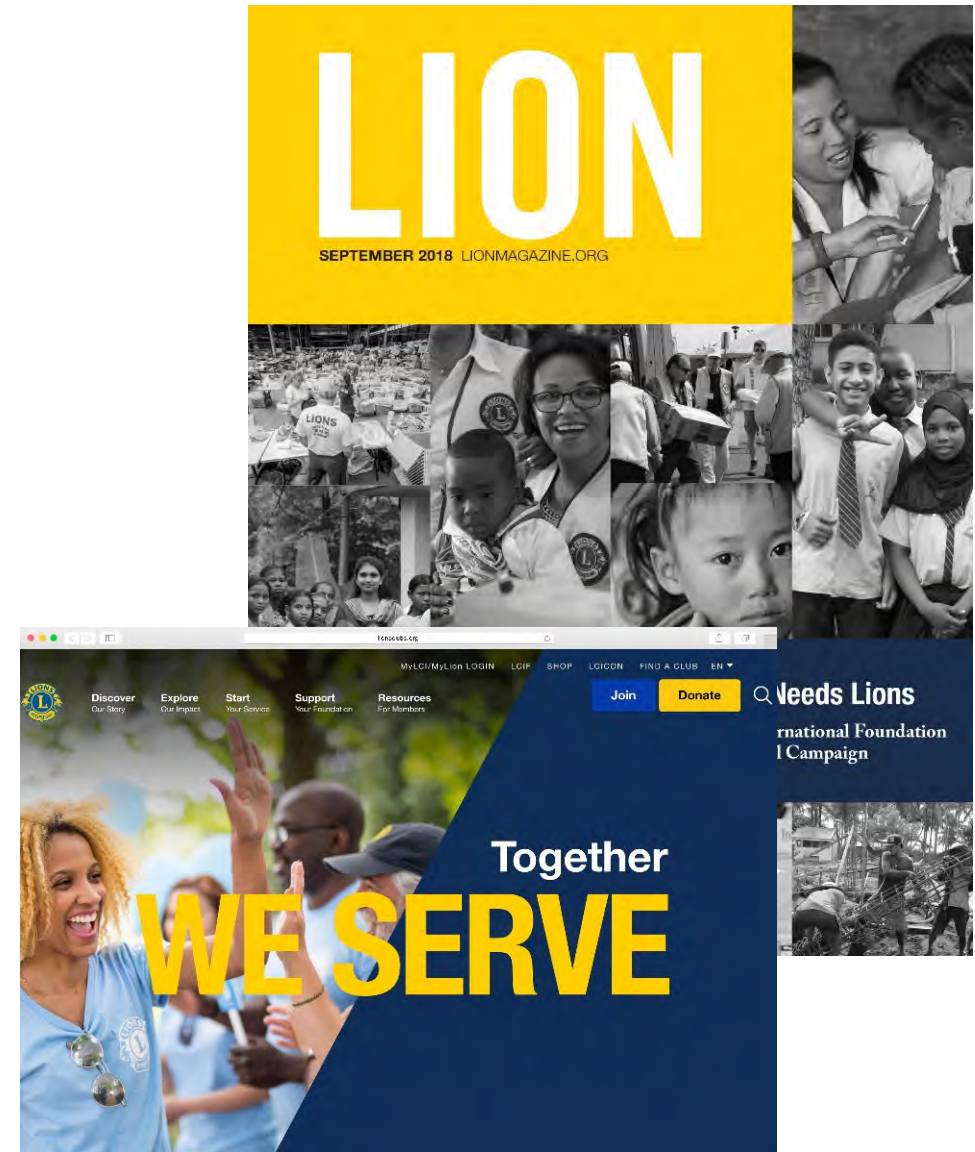


Lions International

We support our
global causes



- **LION Magazine**
 - Published in 22 Languages
- **E-mail Messages**
- **Website**
- **District A2**
- www.A2lions.org
 - lionsclubs.org
- **Social Networking**
 - Facebook
 - facebook.com/lionsclubs
 - Twitter
 - twitter.com/lionsclubs
 - YouTube
 - youtube.com/lionsclubs





MISSION 1.5 

**Accept
the mission.**

Our drive to reach 1.5 million
members worldwide starts with you.

#MissionToGrow

Video Link

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We Serve

Welcome Lions To District A2

