Lions Clubs International Foundation District 6-SE Cabinet Meeting

March 9, 2024

Since the founding of the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) in 1968, LCIF has awarded 20,000 grants, valued at \$1,200,000,000. Awards granted by cause in 2022-2023 from highest to lowest are Humanitarian, Hunger, Disaster Relief, Vision, Diabetes, Youth, Childhood Cancer, and Environment. Through LCIF, 9.7 million cataract surgeries have been performed, 20 million students impacted by Lions Quest, \$140,000,000 spent to help disaster victims, 5 million diabetics helped, and vision care for 50 million children.

The funding goal for LCIF last Lions year was 50 million dollars; actual funds raised was 68 million dollars. These funds were used to provide grants in the 8 cause areas. In reflecting on the challenges and triumphs of the past year, it is evident that LCIF plays a pivotal role in addressing pressing issues around the world and in our own communities. The unwavering commitment of LCIF to our motto "We Serve" has inspired positive change in communities everywhere.

For District 6-SE to do its part; \$13,000 is needed. So far this year, \$6,153 have been donated – almost halfway there. I am asking every club to donate at least \$10 per member and each member to donate at least \$5. All money donated to LCIF is tax deductible.

I would like to visit your club and your LCIF Club Coordinator. I can provide your club with the amounts each member has donated toward a Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF) Award, the number of MJFs past and present from your club, and how much money your club has in undesignated funds toward a MJF Award. Many clubs have enough undesignated funds to present an award to a deserving member. My contact information is listed below – call, text or email me.

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