

# LCIF

Your donations to LCIF make grants possible for Lions worldwide.

## Grants Program

### Doing A World of Good

#### Catastrophe Grants Give Hope, Assurance to Victims

While LCIF and Lions are leaders in global blindness prevention, the foundation's capacity to ease human suffering is also especially apparent in times of global or regional catastrophes.

- Terror attacks in the United States
- Earthquakes in India, Turkey, El Salvador and elsewhere
- Hurricanes in North and Central America

The list of catastrophes in which LCIF and Lions have supplied critical goods and services goes on....



*"The magic is back. For the first time since 9-11 many of the mothers learned that it was OK to be themselves again. They sang, they danced, they put their hearts into some superb presentations. There weren't many dry eyes remaining in the audience. Forty-eight hours in Camp Sunshine and a wonderful transformation had taken place!"*

*—New York Lion Joyce Grossman, on the talent show staged by Sept. 11 families at Camp Sunshine, supported by LCIF and partially staffed by Lions*

#### Emergency Grants Help Lions To Serve...Immediately

LCIF funds are distributed with a human touch when a local emergency such as a flood or tornado strikes. Lions are on the scene with fresh water, food, clothing and medical necessities, often before relief agencies arrive.

*"I am impressed...with the expedient availability of Emergency grant funds from LCIF [following] a disaster. Many families have been helped and are better off because of Lions serving their fellowman. We read about this kind of disaster happening elsewhere, but the proof of 'LCIF in Action' comes when it happens in your own backyard."*

*—Past District Governor George A. Emrick, after severe flooding in Pennsylvania, USA*

#### Core 4 Grants Support Lions' Humanitarian Concerns

To address other humanitarian needs, LCIF supports projects that fall under Lions' primary concerns:

- eyesight
- disability
- health
- youth



**LCIF's partnership with Special Olympics provides free vision screenings, glasses and sports goggles at select Special Olympics competitions.**

As part of the Core 4 grant program, LCIF partners with Habitat for Humanity® International to finance the building of affordable housing for families with severe disabilities.

*"There was so much laughter and love. I knew some of the Lions, but I saw them in a different light."*

— Linda McLane of Michigan, USA, on the Lions who helped build her home, made possible by the LCIF/Habitat for Humanity partnership



**Owned by LCIF, the Lions-Quest program teaches youths to accept responsibility, communicate effectively, set goals, and resist pressure to use alcohol and drugs. Each year, programs developed by Lions-Quest reach more than two million youths in 30 countries.**

## **International Assistance Grants Exemplify Spirit of Lionism**

International Assistance Grants (IAG) support partnership projects between Lions clubs in at least two countries. The grants fund health care, food self-sufficiency, environmental protection and literacy while forging bonds between Lions from different parts of the world.



**Lions in Germany were granted LCIF IAG funds to provide solar panels for homes in an impoverished village in Bolivia.**

## **Standard Grants Help Lions Meet Local Humanitarian Needs**

LCIF assists Lions in financing humanitarian service projects that are beyond their local financial capacity. A broad spectrum of projects is possible including:

- Purchasing equipment for hospitals and clinics
- Developing recreational areas for the blind and visually impaired
- Creating a safe environment for special-needs children



**Standard grants support recreational settings for the blind as well as many other humanitarian needs.**



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