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# DIABETES GRANT REFERENCE GUIDE



## Funding priorities

LCIF's Diabetes Program focuses on large-scale prevention, management, awareness, and screening projects designed to improve the public health of a community. The program supports projects that address one or more of the following intervention areas:

### **Youth camps, retreats, and symposiums**

Encourage interaction and education among peers in a positive, medically safe environment.

### **Human resource training and capacity building**

Provide diabetes training for medical professionals and/or community diabetes educators.

### **Infrastructure development and equipment acquisition**

Improve diabetes healthcare access through health facility expansion, renovation, or equipment acquisition.

### **Screening activities with follow-up care plans**

Organized in partnership with healthcare professionals and designed to identify at-risk individuals.

## Key information

### **Number of grants**

Only two Diabetes Grants can be open and active per district at any given time. For districts that include several countries, the limit is two grants per country. At the multiple district level, only one Diabetes Grant can be open and active at a time.

### **Minimum and maximum grant amounts**

The minimum grant amount is US\$10,000. The maximum grant amount for single districts is US\$150,000; the maximum for multiple districts is US\$250,000.

### **Matching funds requirement**

A minimum of 25 percent of a project's total budget must be contributed as cash by local Lions. At least half of these matching funds must be donated by Lions; the remainder may be contributed by project partners. A minimum of two Lions clubs must contribute to the project financially.

### **Deadlines**

Applications must be received at least 90 days prior to a scheduled LCIF Board of Trustees meeting (held in January, May, and August each year). Specific application deadlines are found on the Lions Events Calendar: [lionsclubs.org/events](https://lionsclubs.org/events).







## Application tips

- Provide detailed answers to all application questions. Incomplete applications or applications not following the LCIF Diabetes Grant format will not be accepted.
- Because diabetes projects may be technical in nature, Lions must work with diabetes associations, medical professionals, ministry of health officials or non-governmental organizations to ensure projects align with established guidelines.
- Partner support must be documented in a letter or memorandum of understanding stating specific ways in which the partner will support the project.
- Submit the budget in U.S. dollars and provide a narrative justifying each expense.
- Provide copies of all relevant supporting documents and materials.
- Electronic application submission is preferred. Applications can be submitted to the appropriate LCIF Global Health Initiatives regional specialist or to **[diabetesgrants@lionsclubs.org](mailto:diabetesgrants@lionsclubs.org)**.





## Youth camps, retreats, and symposiums

LCIF Diabetes Grants support organized community groups and activities designed to encourage interaction and education among peers in a positive, medically safe environment. Projects should enhance or expand quality and reach of overnight camps, day camps, retreats, or symposiums promoting diabetes self-management and health education.

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO fund:**

- Renovations and upgrades to existing diabetes camps
- Modest general operating expenses for camps, such as consumables and programmatic costs, related to an increase in quality and/or number served
- Diabetes-care-focused retreats and symposiums for medical professionals

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO NOT fund:**

- Individual scholarships or sponsorships
- Participant travel to camp
- New camp construction or establishment
- Major operating expenses (such as rent or land purchase)





## Human resource training and capacity building

LCIF Diabetes Grants support training and capacity building to establish or expand professional-level medical expertise and community-level diabetes education. Projects should increase health personnel competencies in order to better provide diabetes prevention and management services. Projects may also train Lions as community diabetes educators who can promote diabetes prevention and management.

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO fund:**

- Tuition/course fees for medically supervised or credentialed training programs
- Professional development in multi-disciplinary sectors related to diabetes
- Stipends, transportation, and lodging costs associated with training

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO NOT fund:**

- Salaries of newly trained professionals
- Training in another country when appropriate local training exists
- Non-diabetes-specific training

## Infrastructure development and equipment acquisition

LCIF Diabetes Grants support increasing access to high-quality health facilities that provide diabetes services by funding infrastructure development, expansion, and equipment acquisition. Projects should expand quality and quantity of diabetes-related services provided to underserved populations.

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO fund:**

- Renovations to existing diabetes clinics or medical facilities to expand capacity
- Medical equipment used for diabetes diagnosis and care
- Medical equipment for screening of diabetes complications

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO NOT fund:**

- Establishment of new medical facilities or diabetes clinics
- Operating expenses, such as rent or purchase of land, as facilities should already be established and sustainable
- Equipment for research, dialysis, biochemical analysis, or advanced cardiac care
- Equipment for treating diabetic eye disease (refer to LCIF SightFirst Grants)

## Screening activities with follow-up care plans

LCIF Diabetes Grants support community diabetes screening and awareness activities organized in partnership with healthcare professionals. Projects should increase awareness of diabetes and its complications for underserved individuals and communities by providing access to diabetes screening; referral networks must be in place for follow-up care.

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO fund:**

- Logistics and facility rental expenses
- Medical personnel or counselor per diem
- Diabetes screening equipment and consumables

### **LCIF Diabetes Grants DO NOT fund:**

- Patient costs, subsidies, or reimbursements
- Insulin and other medications
- Medical equipment not related to diabetes screening activities
- Continuous glucose monitoring systems

Visit **[lionsclubs.org/diabetesgrants](https://lionsclubs.org/diabetesgrants)** for more information.





# Life cycle of a grant

A grant from LCIF empowers Lions to take their impact further. Curious about how grants work? Take a look at our grant life cycle—from project conception to completion.



Each program has specific requirements and processes. For more information, visit [lionsclubs.org/grants](https://lionsclubs.org/grants) or consult a LCIF program specialist.



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