

# Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

### Responding to Disasters

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# Welcome!

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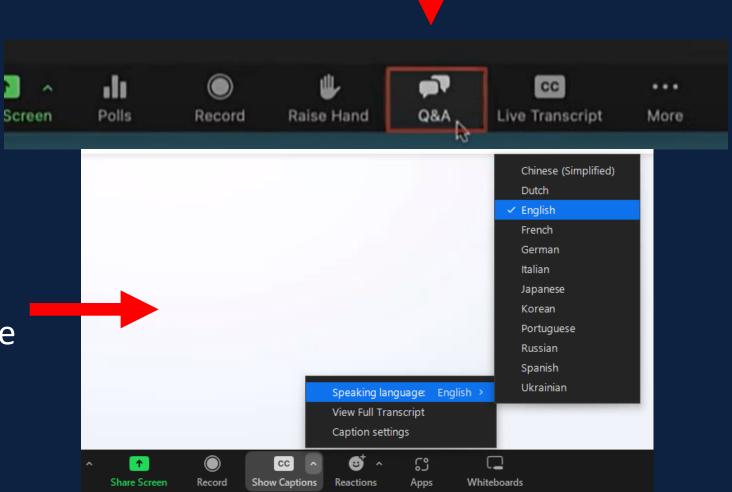


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   Mozilla Firefox, Safari
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- ✓ Certificate and recording emailed within 24 hours
- ✓ Webinar recording: lionsclubs.org/virtual

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- ✓ Q&A session at end
- ✓ Submit questions any time
- ✓ Select 'Show Captions',
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✓ Take survey!

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Brian E. Sheehan

Immediate Past International President LCIF Chairperson



# 20 Thousand

Since it was founded in 1968, LCIF has awarded nearly 20,000 grants

# 1 2 Billion

Lions worldwide have received more than US\$1.2 billion in grant funding

#### Impact

- 9.7 million cataract surgeries performed to restore sight
- More than 20 million students worldwide impacted by Lions Quest youth development program
- More than US\$140 million in funding awarded to communities devastated by natural disasters
- Over 5 million people are benefiting from diabetes related grant projects
- Sight For Kids has provided vision care to nearly 50 million school children

#### A World in Need

- 9.8% of people worldwide are living in hunger\*
- Pandemic pushed 75-95 million additional people into extreme poverty\*
- 2.3 billion people live in water stressed countries\*
- Natural disasters will increase by 40% between 2015-2030\*

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KaSondra Byrd

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# Disaster Grants Awarded

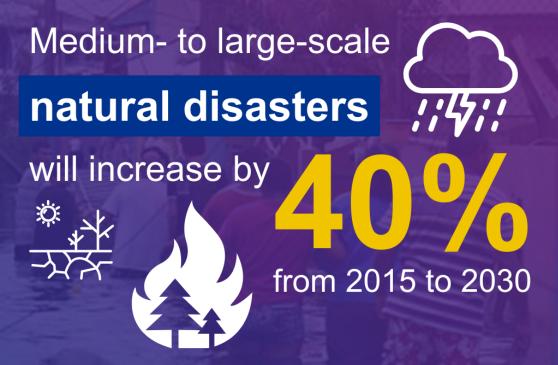
Million US Dollars
Awarded to Disaster
Grants

July 1, 2023-March 1, 2024

#### Disaster Grants

- Disaster Preparedness Grants up to US\$10,000
- Emergency Grants up to US\$10,000
- Community Recovery Grants up to US\$20,000
- Major Catastrophe Grants vary

Exciting changes coming soon!



#### The Optics of a Disaster: Local

LCIF

- Initial rescue/recovery by emergency personnel
- Media coverage
- Lions determine how to support the community

Lions on the ground

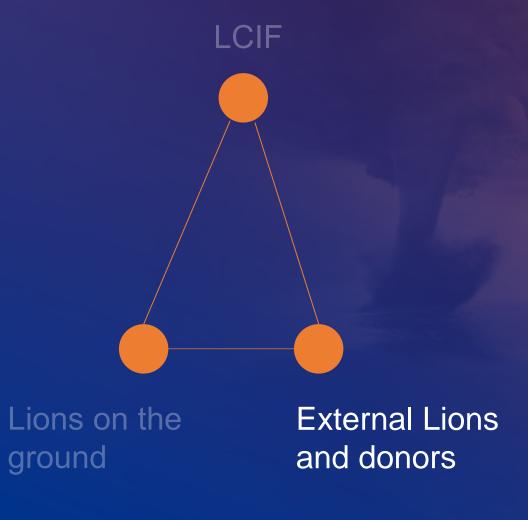
External Lions and donors

#### The Optics of a Disaster: LCIF



- Lions reach out to LCIF to share project plans or LCIF reaches out to local Lions
- LCIF available grants
  - Emergency Grants
  - Community Recovery
    Grants
  - Major Catastrophe Grants (MCAT)

#### The Optics of a Disaster: External



- Disaster reliefcommunications process
- After an Emergency Grant or MCAT
  - Social media post 24 hours
  - Email message 48 hours
  - Intruder banners, blogs/magazine stories, webpages, and follow-up social

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#### **Beth Smith**

Global Grants Department Manager CA I, II, III, V



Identify a project that addresses an unmet humanitarian need for an underserved population.

Remember! Lion involvement essential for grant projects

Discuss your project idea with others who can provide guidance and serve as resources.

Remember! LCIF staff available to guide project idea through submission process

Determine which LCIF grant could fund your project.

Tip! DCG and Matching Grants can support long-term reconstruction efforts

Partner with LCIF to ensure a successful application.

Don't forget! Open grants can slow down the approval process. Make sure to submit final reports in a timely manner for all disaster relief projects

Most disaster grants do not require local matching funds.
Only Disaster Preparedness
Grants require matching funds.

Special tip! Lions' strong financial commitment can make project even more successful

Answer all application questions thoroughly and provide supporting documentation, including a detailed budget.

Remember! Detailed, thorough application ensures smoother review process

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#### **Ben Futransky**

Global Grants Department Manager CA IV, VI, VII, VIII

Include required application approvals and attachments.

Did you know? To be considered, application must be locally approved and/or endorsed

Understand how to submit an application.

Tip! Emailing electronic copy of application begins review process sooner

Don't miss your chance!
Be sure to meet grant
request deadlines.

Don't forget! Emergency grants – 30 days
Community Recovery grants – 60 days

Be patient after submitting your grant application.

Be optimistic! Many applications approved fully; prepare for positive outcome

#### **Applicant Resources & Information**

➤ Grants Toolkit:

lionsclubs.org/grantstoolkit

#### **Disaster Grants**

As a foundation, we are proud to offer a variety of grant options to support various stages of disaster relief operations.

- · About Disaster Grants
- Emergency Grant Guidelines
- Emergency Grant Criteria and Application
- Reporting Form

- Disaster Preparedness Criteria and Application
- Community Recovery Criteria and Application
- Online Emergency Grant Application (available in English only)
- Emergency Grant Project Ideas, Tips, and Frequently Asked Questions
- · Disaster Grants Fact Sheet
- Email Global Grants:
  LCIFGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org

#### Grants





lionsclubs.org/grantstoolkit





# Supporting Our Foundation

- Share LCIF stories
- Promote LCIF mission and values
- Make a personal donation
- Encourage others to donate



