

You can make a difference.

Hands-on-service in our local community and assist in humanitarian projects around the world.



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Friday, August 25, 2017 Hurricane Harvey made its way ashore on the central Gulf Coast of Texas with winds of 125 miles per hour.

As I draft this letter, the central coast of Texas, including metropolitan Houston, is still being affected by unprecedented amounts of rain fall and potentially devastating flooding. The nearly 17 million residents in the path of the storm will be dealing with the aftermath for weeks and possibly months to come.

Lions Clubs International, through our Foundation (LCIF), has responded with emergency catastrophe grant in the amount of US\$100,000. The grant will allow Lions in the area of impact to provide life-saving supplies of food, water, blankets and other necessities.

We never know when or where disaster will strike. But when it does, LCIF emergency and major catastrophe grants enable local Lions to respond, making an immediate impact in the hardest hit areas – around the world.

Your donation to LCIF makes it possible for us to respond at a moment's notice to this and other disasters as they strike.

Lions members are the most generous people in the world. Please consider a donation to LCIF to assist Lions in short-term and long-term disaster response. know you join me in keeping the victims of this latest natural disaster in your thoughts and prayers.

Together we make a significant difference.

Namaste,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal

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Lions and LCIF Responded To Hurricane Harvey

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Providing Disaster Relief

Whenever and wherever disasters strike, Lions and LCIF are among the first to offer aid.



LCIF Awards US\$100,000 for Disaster Relief in Puerto Rico

Whenever and wherever disasters strike, Lions and LCIF help communities recover.

September 2017

It is hard to recall a time recently when so many major natural disasters occurred in such a short period of time. Over the past several weeks, natural disasters have struck in several places, with particularly devastating results – flooding in India and Japan, hurricanes in the United States and Caribbean islands, and not one but two earthquakes in Mexico. Most recently, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) awarded a **US\$100,000 grant to support relief and reconstruction in Puerto Rico** in the wake of another destructive hurricane. Your Foundation has responded with emergency and major catastrophe grants to allow Lions on scene to provide much-needed supplies.

In all cases, LCIF coordinates funding for emergency and major catastrophe grants with local Lions. Lions in the disaster area then work with local government officials and other agencies to ensure the right supplies are getting to areas most in need, without duplication of effort. Since its founding in 1968, LCIF has awarded more than 13,000 grants totaling over US\$1 billion. LCIF will continue to work every day to support humanitarian service projects all over the world and give hope to those who need it. In 2015-2016, LCIF awarded over US\$9 million in disaster grants, which helped more than 500,000 people around the world.

Contributing Member

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What do nearly 46,000 Lions have in common each year? They become Contributing Members by donating at least US\$20 to LCIF.

The Contributing Membership program is an annual program that recognizes three levels of support: US\$20, US\$50 and US\$100. Contributing Membership donations are MJF-eligible and used to support LCIF humanitarian grant programs.

Contributions can be made by completing the Melvin Jones Fellowship Application form and mailing or faxing it to LCIF. Donations can also be made [online with a credit card](#).

Clubs are awarded a 100 percent Member Support banner patch and chevron for the first year of 100 percent Contributing Membership. For each subsequent year of 100 percent Contributing Membership, clubs receive a chevron.

For club Contributing Membership, please accumulate all contributions and send together to LCIF Donor Services. Please include a list of donor names for appropriate recognition.



Donors contributing **US\$20** receive a bronze Contributing Member lapel pin identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made.



Donors contributing **US\$50** receive a silver Contributing Member lapel pin identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made.



Donors contributing **US\$100** receive a gold Contributing Member lapel pin identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made.

<https://www.lcif.org/EN/support-our-work/donate-now.php>



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US\$1,000,000,000

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Saving Sight

LCIF is a leader in providing support for preventing avoidable blindness and restoring sight for people around the world.



When LCIF helps a child see the world for the first time, protects a village from a debilitating eye disease or intervenes before someone goes blind due to diabetic eye disease, SightFirst grants make these efforts possible. SightFirst grants turn the SightFirst mission—building comprehensive eye care systems to fight the major causes of blindness and care for people who are blind or visually impaired—into action. These grants upgrade hospitals and clinics; train doctors, nurses and other healthcare workers; and distribute medicine and raise awareness about eye diseases and conditions.

The SightFirst program funds high-quality, sustainable projects that deliver eye care services, develop infrastructure, train personnel and/or provide rehabilitation and education in underserved communities. Of utmost concern are the major causes of blindness and vision impairment: cataract, river blindness, trachoma, uncorrected refractive error and, especially in developed nations, diabetic eye disease and glaucoma.

Lions have raised more than US\$415 million to fund the SightFirst program and save sight around the world. Lions' districts work with their regional SightFirst [technical advisor](#) in developing SightFirst grant applications and project proposals.



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Combating Measles

LCIF partners with organizations around the world to vaccinate the children who need it most.



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Empowering Youth

LCIF impacts thousands of youth every day through a number of programs that help them enjoy their childhood and grow into successful adults.



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JOIN THE FIGHT
AGAINST DIABETES

DIABETES IS THE
SIXTH
LEADING CAUSE OF
DEATH IN THE WORLD



WORLD DIABETES DAY: **NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

WORLDWIDE WEEK OF SERVICE: **NOVEMBER 13-19, 2017**

Diabetes afflicts individuals, families and communities including those we know and love. The statistics are startling, but we can change them through efforts geared toward awareness, prevention, and treatment

6th leading cause of death in the world.

6th leading cause of death among women.

1 person dies from diabetes every 7 seconds.

5M million people die from diabetes annually.

50% of people with diabetes don't even know they have it.

77% of people with diabetes live in low- and middle-income countries.

Core 4 Diabetes

Core 4 Diabetes Grant Program

LCIF's Core 4 Diabetes program enables Lions to realize a variety of initiatives to prevent and reduce the impact of diabetes as a public health concern.

This program awards multi-year grants (up to US\$75,000 for Lions single districts or up to US\$200,000 for multiple districts) for large-scale Lions efforts to support the expansion and enhancement of diabetes education, prevention and treatment programs.



Typical items supported include the printing and translation of awareness materials, development of self-management courses for diabetics, diabetes and diabetic retinopathy testing equipment, human resource trainings, community awareness and promotion.

LCIF has provided more than US\$1.5 million for Core 4 Diabetes projects around the world.

Standard Grants

Millions of people throughout the world lack access to items and services that many of us take for granted. Through standard grant projects, communities gain access to education, technology, health care, safe places for children to play and many other life-changing improvements. Standard grants involve identifying what is needed most for a community, and making it a life-changing reality.



Providing matching funds from US\$10,000 to US\$100,000, Standard grants are approved for large-scale Lions' humanitarian projects and are the most common type of grant awarded. Projects must serve a large number of people and must be beyond the scope of traditional club and/or district fundraising activities. Standard grants generally provide capital funding for equipment and infrastructure needs. Typical projects include mobile health units, hospices, nursing homes, medical units, street children's homes, blind and disabled centers, eye clinics, research centers and schools in developing countries.

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