



Winter Council of Governors Meeting – February 18, 2017 : Langley, BC
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Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs worldwide in serving their local communities and the world community as they carry out essential humanitarian service projects." Since our founding in 1968 we have strived to sustain Lions' humanitarian service goals throughout the world, awarding over 12,000 grants totaling more than US\$900 million, in the four key areas of sight, youth, disaster relief and other humanitarian efforts.

Following is a recap of donations to LCIF for the period between July 1st, 2016 and December 31st, 2016 from MD19 Canadian district/clubs.

District	# of Clubs	Clubs Donating	Participation Rate	Donations
19A	57	9	15.79%	\$11,439.61
19D	51	10	19.61%	\$3,929.32
19E	52	11	21.15%	\$5,765.63
19H	50	20	40.00%	\$14,452.99
19I	51	4	7.84%	\$1,277.68
Totals	261	54	20.69%	\$36,865.23

The challenge for 2016-2017 is for each district to work towards a goal of either \$20.73 per member or a 10% increase over 2015-2016. The following chart is repeated for your reference on the status of each of your districts' level of donations to LCIF with six months to go. As you can see, every district needs to step up in the last half of this year to meet the goals set for this year.

District	District Coordinator	2013-2014 Funds Raised	2014-2015 Funds Raised	2015-2016 Funds Raised	District Membership	Per Member Goal	2016-2017 Per Member Goal	10% Increase Goal
19A	Marilyn Martin	\$ 71,103.18	\$ 27,885.53	\$ 18,205.68	1117	\$ 20.73	\$ 23,144.24	\$ 20,026.25
19D	Frank Karas	\$ 19,202.98	\$ 15,079.53	\$ 14,979.54	1378	\$ 20.73	\$ 28,565.94	\$ 16,477.49
19E	Bob Yeoman	\$ 7,081.39	\$ 21,579.21	\$ 16,742.93	1470	\$ 20.73	\$ 30,473.10	\$ 18,417.22
19H	Kenny Lee	\$ 19,495.23	\$ 36,076.25	\$ 23,837.57	1691	\$ 20.73	\$ 35,054.43	\$ 36,121.33
19I	Denise Charest	\$ 22,875.85	\$ 19,101.89	\$ 11,629.13	1219	\$ 20.73	\$ 25,269.87	\$ 12,792.04

District Governors – We CAN meet these goals by the end of this 2016-2017 Lions Year! MD19 has been fortunate in receiving many substantial grants and to ensure that funds continue to be available for us to access whenever the need arises, we **MUST** encourage our members and clubs to support LCIF financially. Your District LCIF Coordinators stand ready and willing to do their job within your Districts on your behalf so please call on them and give them opportunities to promote LCIF.

19A's LCIF Coordinator PDG Marilyn Martin followed up with LCIF on a couple of mail-ins to LCIF via the JP Morgan Chase Lockbox Processing which were returned undelivered. As a result, please note that there is a new address for Canadian donations to LCIF. **If no tax receipt is needed and just a donation acknowledgement letter is sufficient**, donations may be sent to the new address - Lions Clubs International Foundation/Lions Clubs International, P O Box 2425, Station "A",

Toronto, Ontario M5W 2K5. Donations may also be sent in through the District Coordinator and/or the MD19 Office. In all cases, it is **IMPORTANT** to remember that, to avoid delays or misdirected donations, all cheques must have proper identification of donors (full club name/club number and member name/number) and send the donations in promptly.

LCIF Chairperson IPIP Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada made a surprise two night stop (12Jan-14Jan, 2017) in Vancouver BC following the LCIF Board of Trustees and LCI Board Meeting in Chicago on his way to the FOLAC Forum in South America. Dr. Yamada asked to visit the medical equipment sponsored through the LCIF matching grant program in the Vancouver area. He met with research and medical staff at the BC Cancer Research Agency (equipment at the Genome Sciences Center), at the Eye Care Center (pinpoint laser device), and at the BC Children's Hospital (ultrasound system). Lack of advance notice of his brief Vancouver stop precluded us from arranging a Lions event during his visit.

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