

2017 Fall Council of Governors Committee Report Multiple District 19 Environment Committee Report by Dr. Nancy Messmer & Dr. Enoch Rowland-Chairpersons

As the Environment Chairpersons for Multiple District 19, we work to encourage Lions to include environmental projects in their array of service projects, and to highlight the good work that Lions are doing.

Service Goal: Protecting Our Environment

Centennial Global Service Action Campaign and LCI Forward

Our Environmental service is part of a 4-year Centennial Service Challenge, ending in June 2018. In this time, Lions have met the Centennial challenge and created Legacy projects with meaningful impact in our communities into the future. We have worked in our traditional community-focused projects as we have stretched ourselves into the 4 service areas (Hunger, Youth, Sight, and Environment). As Lions Clubs International looks to the future, they have launched LCI Forward. <u>http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/lci-forward/index.php</u>.

Service is still the heart of the matter.

SERVICE IS THE REASON WE EXIST. IT'S WHY WE BECOME LIONS AND WHY WE REMAIN. YEAR BY YEAR, COUNTRY BY COUNTRY, WE HAVE INCREASED OUR GLOBAL IMPACT, SAVING LIVES AND HELPING MILLIONS MORE AROUND THE WORLD. AND THE WORLD NEEDS US NOW MORE THAN EVER. *(LCI)*

Lions Service Areas



Protecting Our Environment is a service goal that represents countless hours of work currently for Lions, Lioness, and Leos. It is also a bridge to more members in the future as Lions work together and in partnership to ensure that future generations inherit a livable world. The LCI website is being constantly updated to be more responsive to member needs. It presents a cornucopia of project ideas, media, and support materials to assist Lions in planning and reporting Environment projects:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment/index.php.

Changing Photo Contest

The <u>last</u> international Environmental Photo Contest was held in 2016-2017. The International Lions Directors will be deciding this year what contests will be sponsored in the future. There might be a photo contest featuring Lions in service or social mediabased contests. Stay tuned for more information. In the meantime, some MD 19 Lions are sad to see the end of the Environmental Photo Contest, as it was open to every Lion and showcased the natural features of everyone's local communities. There is talk of continuing this contest within our Multiple District. We will be happy to sponsor a committee to explore this option at the Council's direction.

Increasing our Impact Here in Multiple District 19 (Washington, British Columbia and North Idaho)

- > District Environment Co-Chairs work as a team with the District Chairs.
- Governors and District Chairs Start Environment Committees in each District.
- > Include seminars at your conferences that feature Environment Projects.
- Conduct sharing sessions at Conferences and visitations in which local Lions highlight their projects.
- > Spread the good news!



Share Our Work Inform the Public Learn From Each Other

Contact Us. We will assist with project planning, displays, workshops, connections, newsletter articles, Facebook entries, ideas, and links.

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