

Fall Council of Governors Meeting – October 12th, 2017: Surrey, BC

Respectfully Submitted by: PCC Polly Voon, 2017-2018 LCIF MD19 Coordinator British Columbia

LCIF Grants - British Columbia has been very fortunate in acquiring LCIF grants – in May 2017, LCIF Board of Trustees approved a Standard Grant application from 19-A in the amount of US\$100,000 to equip Richmond Hospital of Vancouver Cancer Laboratory. This was followed by the LCIF Board of Trustees approving another Standard Grant application from 19-H in August 2017 in the amount of US\$25,000 to equip Abbotsford Regional Hospital.

2016-2017 was a good year for Canadian Lions - Lions of Canada raised \$458,457 for LCIF which was an increase of \$26,948 from the year before. Canadian Clubs/Districts were the recipients of 15 grants for a total of \$698, 992.

LCIF Club Coordinators have been named in about 30% of our clubs. Club Coordinators serve as ambassadors for LCIF in each club and are equipped to educate Lions about the activities of LCIF and its importance to Lions Clubs International. In previous years, LCIF Coordinators at the District and Multiple District levels have served as foundation ambassadors within their area. The addition of the Club LCIF Coordinator helps to support their effort and provide fellow members with timely information about important foundation initiatives. It is recommended that the immediate past president assume this position unless it is filled by another interested volunteer. The District LCIF Coordinator will be following up with the clubs in your respective districts to ensure that they have LCIF club coordinators in place.

Based on the overall **target goal for 2017-2018 for CA II Canada** of \$832,116 and the membership of each district, the challenge is for each district to work towards a goal of either US\$23.27 per member or a 20% increase over the 2016-2017 Funds Raised. I believe that this is reasonable and attainable and the District Coordinators will meet to discuss and share ideas and strategies on how we may achieve the goals.

District	District Coordinator	2014-2015 Funds Raised	2015-2016 Funds Raised	2016-2017 Funds Raised	District Membership	Per Member Goal	2017-2018 Per Member Goal	20% Increase Goal
19 A	Martin / Ng	\$27,885.53	\$18,205.68	\$24,971.80	1,130	\$23.27	\$26,295.10	\$29,966.16
19 D	Frank Karas	\$8,014.53	\$8,673.30	\$3,748.64	843	\$23.27	\$19,616.61	\$4,498.37
19 E	Bob Yeoman	\$2,024.21	\$4,467.93	\$8,112.89	410	\$23.27	\$9,540.70	\$9,735.47
19 H	Dave Mackintosh	\$21,915.25	\$17,823.68	\$37,323.36	781	\$23.27	\$18,173.87	\$44,788.03
19 I	Denise Charest	\$17,826.89	\$9,297.31	\$6,172.95	998	\$23.27	\$23,223.46	\$7,407.54
		\$77,666.41	\$58,467.90	\$80,329.64	4,162		\$96,849.74	\$96,395.57

Personal Giving - How many of you give a donation to charities? In Canada, only about 1% of the Lions give to LCIF – OUR Foundation and a world-renowned charity! Lions leaders give – last year 100% of International Directors and LCIF Trustees donate, 40% of Council Chairs, 57% of LCIF Multiple District Chairs, 24% of District Governors, 48% of District LCIF Coordinators, 2% of Club Presidents gave to LCIF. Consider the **Contributing Member Program** as your personal support of LCIF – for US\$20, US\$50 or US\$100 you can show your personal commitment to LCIF!

Measles Initiative - \$1 can save the life of a child. Lions still need to give \$5 million toward our commitment toward measles eradication. Together with the GAVI Alliance, we have performed 87.8 million measles vaccinations, saving an estimated 61,000 children from death and countless others from the severe effects of measles.

LCIF celebrates 50 years. It is 50 years since LCIF was formed. To date about \$1 billion has been given out in grants. Our target for 2017-18 is \$50 million for our 50th Anniversary to be celebrated in Las Vegas at the 2018 Annual Convention. The goal for Canada is \$832,116. Please encourage your clubs to do what they can so we will meet this target.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS – We **CAN** meet these goals by the end of this 2017-2018 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.

LCIF is OUR Foundation!