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Getting very good reports from CLERC in Calgary, MD 19 is one the largest collectors of glasses in their system. Seeing this is great but we can do a lot more as the opportunities to collect glasses are really unlimited and it's easy. If you get your eyes checked ask if the shop collects or would like to help Lions collect glasses, you would be surprised how many shops have not been asked to help and how willing they will be.

We recently got a call from a donor to donate a large number of lenses, luckily we went in force myself and four Lions with a van and truck picked up 81 boxes over 5000 lbs, 150,000 approx. lenses and this was only one half of the lenses on offer, so we half to go back for the rest. Calgary was happy to receive them, this demonstrates that CLERC wants not just all types of glasses (readers, bi and tri focal) but lenses broken glasses and especially sun glasses.

We need more Lions and Lions Clubs to help with this remarkable project, there have been 5Million glasses given in the last 10 years, for free all over the world by our Lions of MD19, and yet we can do more if we try.

In order to make the system work we need all Lions clubs to make a small, nominal donation of say \$100 to CLERC, Calgary this will help cover their annual budget of \$200, 000 for rent, cleaning and collection boxes, packaging and shipping supplies. We as Lions are happily collecting glasses but we need to participate financially in this exceptional World Service Project.

Submitted respectfully

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