



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

# MAGNIFY HOPE

Annual Report | 2020 - 2021

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### Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

## Our Mission

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Our mission is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding.

*Note: In August 2021, LCIF's Board of Trustees approved an updated mission statement reflected above.*

## A Message from the Chairperson



Thirty years ago, I was helping my husband create materials to promote Lions Clubs International Foundation's first fundraising campaign, SightFirst. It was during this time that I realized I wanted to be part of Lions; part of something bigger and on an international scale. It is my honor to serve alongside my fellow Lions. Now, as I pen this letter closing out my second year as LCIF Chairperson, I am also extremely proud to have been part of the foundation's most historic campaign to date: Campaign 100.

The last two years have been like no other. When I began my role as LCIF chairperson in 2019, I imagined a full year of travels, visiting Lions and LCIF-funded projects throughout the world. As we well know, the pandemic drastically changed all our plans. But it provided a great opportunity to showcase our resilience, tenacity, and creativity to do what Lions do best – serve.

As chairperson, I am often asked: "Of the projects you visited, which is your favorite?" The honest answer?

Every project I had the good fortune of witnessing is my favorite.

Every project I heard about is my favorite.

Every project planned for the future is my favorite.

**That's because all projects change our communities for the better.**

I know for many life is still difficult, and some may be worried about the future of serving our communities. This is exactly why LCIF is so important. We will emerge from this pandemic, and our service to our world must continue. LCIF, our global foundation, is there to magnify hope for those in need.

To Lions, partners, and friends of LCIF who showed such tremendous support this year, thank you for ensuring LCIF can continue empowering those serving to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and protect the vulnerable. And to all, I thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as LCIF chairperson for two years.

In friendship,

*Gudrun Yngvadottir*

**Gudrun Yngvadottir**  
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



## Our Grant Programs

Lions and Leos serve a world in need. Magnifying their service impact is LCIF's diverse portfolio of grant programs.

### ***Childhood Cancer Grants***

Childhood Cancer grants deepen the ability to help children with cancer, and their families, through projects such as building or expanding family-friendly waiting rooms and housing; improving access to transportation for medical appointments; and fulfilling education and recreation needs.

### ***Diabetes Grants***

Diabetes grants support service projects to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed by enhancing diabetes camps, implementing screening events, expanding access to care, and training healthcare professionals.

### ***Disaster Grants***

Disaster grants support efforts to provide immediate and ongoing support to victims of natural disasters. Offered are Disaster Preparedness, Emergency, Community Recovery, and Major Catastrophe grants.

### ***District and Club Community Impact Grants***

District and Club Community Impact grants transform as much as 15 percent of unrestricted club and district contributions to LCIF into grant funds for local projects.

### ***Hunger Grants***

Hunger grants help support school-based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centers, and similar facilities through large-scale infrastructure development focused on equipment acquisition and transport.

### ***Leo Service Grants***

Leo Service grants support larger and more impactful initiatives planned by Lions clubs' youngest humanitarians.

### ***Lions Quest Grants***

Lions Quest grants enable schools to establish and expand social and emotional learning opportunities delivered through LCIF's Lions Quest curricula. Offered are Community Partnership, Lions Quest Program, and Lions Quest Promotional grants.

### ***Matching Grants***

Matching grants fund larger scale humanitarian projects that require major equipment or construction to help communities gain access to education, technology, healthcare, and other life-changing improvements.

### ***SightFirst Grants***

SightFirst grants help fight avoidable blindness, provide care for those who are blind or visually impaired, and develop infrastructure for comprehensive eye care systems.

## LCIF and the United Nations

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In April, Lions celebrated 75 years of partnership with the United Nations (UN). Collaboration between the organizations began as Lions' founder Melvin Jones helped develop the UN's non-governmental organization charter. Like LCIF, the UN seeks to address global and emerging needs of vulnerable and marginalized populations. To achieve this, the UN created 17 sustainable development goals (SDGs) – a collection of interlinked global objectives designed to foster a better, more sustainable future. LCIF's cause areas reflect the spirit of these goals.

For more than four decades, the two organizations have assembled annually at Lions Day with the UN to celebrate their long-standing collaboration and shared commitment to addressing humanitarian needs worldwide.

Visit [sdgs.un.org](https://sdgs.un.org) to learn more about the UN's SDGs.

## United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

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- No Poverty
- Zero Hunger
- Good Health and Well-Being
- Quality Education
- Gender Equality
- Clean Water and Sanitation
- Affordable and Clean Energy
- Decent Work and Economic Growth
- Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- Reduced Inequalities
- Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Responsible Consumption and Production
- Climate Action
- Life Below Water
- Life on Land
- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Partnerships for the Goals



FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$5,285,438



## Disaster Relief

LCIF provides immediate assistance in wake of natural disasters; supports partnering with local organizations to prepare for future relief efforts; supports short-term clean-up and repair efforts; and provides significant support after major natural disasters or civil calamities.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Climate Action

In 2020, the world experienced 400 natural disasters. Roughly 8,100 souls were lost and damages reached approximately US\$268 billion. Magnifying hope since 1968, LCIF has provided more than US\$140 million in grant funding for Lions-led disaster preparedness and relief efforts globally.

## Providing Relief During Disaster

In 2020, the global health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic was enough for anyone to bear. For some residents of Central America, it was only half the battle.

In early November 2020, Category 4 Hurricane Eta devastated parts of Central America. With torrential rainfall, winds peaking at 150 miles per hour, and catastrophic flooding, Eta was the most intense November Atlantic hurricane since 1932. That distinction, however, was not to last. Just two weeks after Eta wreaked havoc on the area, deadly Hurricane Iota made its way to land, sending residents into further despair.

Hurricanes Eta and Iota took hundreds of lives while leaving in their wake billions of dollars in damage. As they bore the weight of a deadly virus, children and families surviving the natural disasters were forced to battle more unfathomable challenges. Lions were there with storm victims in Costa Rica, Panama, Guatemala, and Honduras, delivering comfort and care. There with Lions was LCIF, providing US\$80,000 in Disaster grants for life-sustaining food, water tanks, cooktops, roof coverings, blankets, and cleaning supplies.

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Sources: Statista [www.statista.com/statistics/510959/number-of-natural-disasters-events-globally/#statisticContainer](https://www.statista.com/statistics/510959/number-of-natural-disasters-events-globally/#statisticContainer); Statista [www.statista.com/statistics/510952/number-of-deaths-from-natural-disasters-globally](https://www.statista.com/statistics/510952/number-of-deaths-from-natural-disasters-globally); visited June 30, 2021

FY20-21 Global Investment  
US\$10,086,120



## Humanitarian Efforts

LCIF supports programs addressing needs of at-risk, vulnerable populations and communities.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Due to the breadth of the Humanitarian Efforts cause area, most aspects of UN goals may apply directly or indirectly.

Since 1968, LCIF has funded global humanitarian service, deepening Lions' and Leos' commitment to both those in great need and their communities. Together, we continue to magnify hope.

## Identifying Needs, Delivering Solutions

Under the best of circumstances, waiting months for a child's medical appointment can be frustrating. Enduring the actual visit evokes anxiety as well. During a pandemic, apprehension only compounds.

Serving a five-state area in the United States, the Minnesota Lions Children's Hearing and ENT Clinic (LCHC) is a leader in diagnosing and treating children with ear, nose, and throat disorders.

“With young children, having technology all in one location makes a world of difference.”

Since opening roughly a decade ago, the clinic has seen audiology exam demand rise 20 percent. The challenge?

Significantly longer wait times for appointments. The solution? LCIF and Lions.

With a US\$15,980 LCIF Matching grant, Lions purchased an additional sound booth and accompanying audiology equipment, expanding the clinic's capacity to serve an additional 1,000 patients annually, reducing appointment wait times, and providing a safer environment during the pandemic.

“This technology allows us to assess...in a fraction of the time it took with older technology,” said one LCHC audiologist. “With young children, having technology to check hearing devices, test hearing, and assess benefit all in one location – not switching rooms mid-appointment – makes a world of difference. And with increased infection control procedures needed due to COVID-19, our team is able to be more efficient with cleaning.”

FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$3,801,299



## Youth

LCIF serves youth through improved access to quality education, vital health services, inclusive social and recreational opportunities, positive youth development programs.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Quality Education; Good Health and Well-Being; Reduced Inequality

All youth deserve access to quality education, health services, inclusive social and recreational opportunities, and positive development programs. LCIF has magnified such hope for more than 50 years. Leading the way is Lions Quest, LCIF's signature youth development program rooted in social and emotional learning.

## Educating Future Educators

Social and emotional skills, knowledge, and attitudes are critical in both the classroom and in life. Helping students worldwide better navigate challenges in school, at home, and in the community is Lions Quest, LCIF's premier social and emotional learning (SEL) program fostering schoolchildren's ability to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve goals, feel and show empathy, build positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. Also critical to students' social and emotional growth are teachers with their own highly developed and practiced SEL skills.

Recognizing the importance of SEL to its country's future, Canada's University of Lethbridge Faculty of Education ensured that more than 160 university students completing practicum coursework had access to Lions Quest SEL resources and lessons. The goal? Ensure future educators gain new SEL skills and knowledge to better support students' social and emotional development, during elementary school teaching practicum experiences and beyond.

"Next generation teachers must keep students' social and emotional development top of mind," said Lion Lucy Johnson, Canada's District C-2 Lions Quest chairperson and a sessional seminar instructor at the university. "Well-adjusted and emotionally secure students are our country's and the world's path forward. Our future depends on our ability to develop these traits in students, and Lions Quest is imperative to helping children cope with academic and social stresses in school, at home, and as they make their way in the world."

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FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$1,846,340



## Childhood Cancer

LCIF supports and improves quality of life for children with cancer and their families.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Good Health and Well-Being

Source: <sup>1</sup>World Health Organization [www.who.int/cancer/childhood-cancer](http://www.who.int/cancer/childhood-cancer), visited June 30, 2021

Each year, 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer<sup>1</sup>. Lions help parents navigate the uncertainty and help young patients see a healthy future. To magnify hope, LCIF is strengthening medical and social services to help increase global life expectancy of children with cancer and enhance quality of life for them and their families.

## Peace and Playtime for Children Battling Cancer

Fortunately, most youth will never experience the physical and emotional toll childhood cancer takes. Nor will their parents and families. Yet childhood cancer is the reality for many, including those seeking to regain health and set lives back on course at Taipei Medical University Hospital's Cancer Center.

To better serve pediatric cancer patients and families from Taipei and nearby areas, and to prepare for an expected increase in patients in the next five years, the Center constructed a new building. Though filled with advanced medical equipment and systems, something was missing. The new facility lacked a special space where young patients could leave cancer behind and enter a universe dedicated solely to the joys of childhood.

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FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$8,383,273



## Vision

LCIF helps fight major causes of preventable and reversible blindness and provides services to those with blindness or visual impairment.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Good Health and Well-Being



Since 1990, LCIF's SightFirst program has provided more than US\$372 million in grant funds to help the world see a brighter future. Magnifying hope, LCIF is proud to build on this impact.

## Expanding Access to Eye Care

In Zambia, the prevalence of blindness among all age groups is estimated to be 1 percent, meaning in the southern Luapula province approximately 7,400 people are blind. According to Zambia's Ministry of Health, more than 80 percent of all cases of blindness in the country are preventable, treatable, curable. Why then the devastating rate of blindness? The answer lies in historically limited eye disease identification and eye care treatment.

With a goal to reduce avoidable blindness a staggering 51 percent before 2025, and with a US\$606,667 LCIF SightFirst grant, Lions in Zambia and local partners began a five-year endeavor to expand access to primary eye care and cataract surgical services in southern Luapula. Grant funds are helping renovate and equip primary eye units, build human resource capacity, and establish a mobile outreach program.

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In year one, LCIF grant funds have been instrumental in training community health

workers to identify cases of cataract; screening nearly 19,000 residents for various eye conditions; and delivering more than 250 cataract surgeries to improve or restore sight.



# CELEBRATING 30 YEARS of Preserving the Precious Gift of Sight

In 2020, LCIF marked the 30th anniversary of SightFirst, one of the foundation's most impactful grant programs.

The program aims to strengthen eye care systems in underserved communities, enabling them to fight blindness and vision loss and assist those who are blind or visually impaired. Through SightFirst, Lions, in cooperation with healthcare providers and partner organizations, have impacted sight for millions of people around the world.

## Globally, more than 488 million lives have been impacted through SightFirst.

"Lions everywhere are proud of the immense impact we have made in vision around the world," said Past International President Gudrun Yngvadottir, who was chairperson of LCIF during the anniversary celebration. "With SightFirst funding from LCIF, we've heeded Helen Keller's 1925 call to be 'knights of the blind.' We've done so much in SightFirst's initial 30 years. With continued funding, we'll continue the SightFirst legacy and create more historic changes in vision."



To date, more than **US\$372 million** in SightFirst grants have been approved for over **1,398 projects in 117 countries**. Through these initiatives, more than:

- **9.6 million** cataract surgeries have been performed.
- **2.3 million** professional eye care and community health workers have been trained.
- **1,350 eye centers** have been built, expanded, or equipped.
- **197 million** doses of medication have been distributed to control the painful eye infection trachoma - found in communities lacking access to clean water and sanitation - that can lead to irreversible blindness.
- **310 million** doses of medication have been distributed to halt progression of river blindness, an infection spread by infected flies that can cause eye disease and permanent blindness.



FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$2,038,692



## Diabetes

LCIF helps reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improves quality of life for those diagnosed.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Good Health and Well-Being

In 2019, approximately 463 million adults were living with diabetes. By 2045, 700 million will have the disease, leaving personal, familial, and community health at risk. LCIF is magnifying hope by funding awareness, prevention, and management initiatives to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.

## Navigating Diabetes at Camp Koala

Along Australia's southwest coast, just outside Melbourne, is beautiful Camp Wyuna, which each year provides fun in the sun for thousands of youth. Twenty-one of those, each with type 1 diabetes, had a very unique camp experience thanks to Lions and LCIF.

With a US\$10,499 LCIF Diabetes grant, and in partnership with Australia-based Type1 Foundation, which connects medical practitioners and educators to newly diagnosed families, Lions facilitated Camp Koala. The camp helped teens learn to manage their disease through classes on diet, insulin and glucose level management, and healthy lifestyle. Aware of challenges often accompanying adolescence, Lions also ensured the seven-day camp stressed independence, self-esteem, and emotional wellbeing, tapping six Type1 Foundation mentors – young adults with diabetes – to interact with campers peer-to-peer.

“I'm so grateful I had the chance to attend. I can't say thank you enough.”

To further enhance the weeklong experience, campers also enjoyed activities including laser tag, a boat cruise, and adventure park exploration.

Said one Camp Koala participant, “I've met so many amazing people and friends. I'm so grateful I had the chance to attend. I can't say thank you enough.”



Source: World Diabetes Federation

FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$168,091



## Environment

LCIF supports efforts to protect communities' environmental health to generate long-term, positive ecological impact globally.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Good Health and Well-Being; Climate Action; Life on Land

Air pollution kills an estimated seven million people worldwide annually. Climate change wreaks havoc on entire ecosystems; challenges are urgent and palpable. LCIF is magnifying hope by helping Lions and Leos generate long-term, positive ecological impact for humans, plants, and animals who call Planet Earth home.

## Planting Hope for a Healthier World

With an eye to a healthier future for their community, themselves, and generations to come, Leos in Brescia Province of Italy took action to improve the city of Chiari and the health and well-being of those in the area – human and wildlife alike. Together, the young humanitarians created a tranquil forest to reduce smog and provide a peaceful and lush area for recreation and physical activity.

With a US\$2,500 LCIF Leo Service grant, and in collaboration with Lions and experts from the city's agricultural institute, Leos designed the forest, selected the sapling provider, and determined tree species compatible with the local climate and terrain. Within three months of receiving grant approval, 35 Leos and Lions had planted the new, sustainable *Leo and Lion Forest*, 100 new trees breathing fresh air and hope into the city.

Generations to come will benefit from the forest.

Generations to come will benefit from the forest, which serves as inspiration for other communities to be good stewards of the environment. Leos continue collaborating with Lions and the local municipality to raise additional funds to ensure project sustainability.



Source: World Health Organization, [www.who.int/health-topics/air-pollution#tab=tab\\_1](http://www.who.int/health-topics/air-pollution#tab=tab_1), visited August 17, 2021

FY20-21 Global Investment

US\$1,771,008



# Hunger

LCIF supports service projects focused on alleviating hunger.

**UN Goal Alignment:** Zero Hunger; Good Health and Well-Being; Reduced Inequality

Despite sufficient global food production, chronic hunger remains an ongoing problem. With access to life-sustaining nourishment an urgent challenge, LCIF is magnifying hope by deepening its commitment to expanding resources and infrastructure needed to address food shortages worldwide.

## Feeding Souls in Seoul

Loved ones hospitalized. Lives lost. Milestone moments missed. Some devastation wrought by COVID-19 is easily quantified, readily apparent. Look deeper, however, and you find the less obvious fallout. That is exactly what Lions in Korea did, uncovering an unexpected consequence of the pandemic. A community desperate for food, no means to access it, and starved for emotional connection as well.

With the pandemic's rise and lockdowns in place, homeless and seniors living near Seoul's major rail station and in nearby jjokbang villages – areas of tiny one-room residences in low-income neighborhoods – were unable to travel to access free meal service. Compounding the problem? Volunteers normally delivering lifelines of food and companionship to the area's most vulnerable rarely arrived. Quite literally, residents were starving.

Lions sourced food for 500 meals, cooking, packaging, then delivering nourishing boxed lunches – and hope – to those in desperate need.

Learning of the crises, Lions mobilized, using US\$7,058 in LCIF District and Club Community Impact

grant funds to create boxed meals. In collaboration with, and sponsorship from, various local organizations, Lions sourced food for 500 meals, cooking, packaging, then delivering nourishing boxed lunches – and hope – to those in desperate need.



# Magnifying Hope Locally

Through LCIF's District & Club Community Impact grants (DCG) program, as much as 15 percent of club or district unrestricted contributions to the Foundation are transformed into grants funding local projects.



## Brazil || US\$3,992

Service above self brought Lions in Brazil together to equip a home for childhood cancer patients and caregivers with water purifiers, air conditioners, wardrobes, and clothes-washing equipment, providing much-needed comfort and care.

**1,450**  
DCGs awarded worldwide since the program's 2018 launch



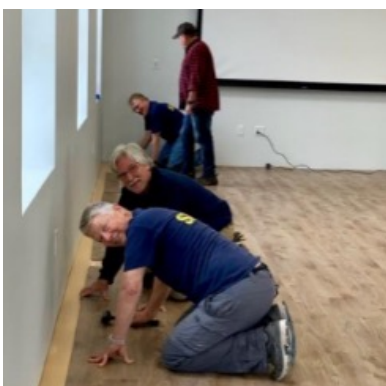
## Taipei || US\$2,700

With a goal to raise awareness of diabetes and provide education about the disease and its prevention, Lions in Taipei assisted in a blood drive during which community members' blood sugar levels and blood pressure were assessed.



## Italy || US\$1,045

To provide a more fulfilling, accessible, and inclusive experience for tourists with blindness, Lions in Catalina, Italy, had two tactile maps created for the city, as well as a Braille plaque emblematic of their commitment to Catalina and its visitors.



## USA || US\$4,985

US Lions renovated two rooms at Clear Path for Veterans New England, a center dedicated to helping those who served selflessly in the country's armed forces. The rooms, designed to promote physical and psychological wellness, provide a welcome environment for rehabilitative classes and social recreation.



## India || US\$1,644

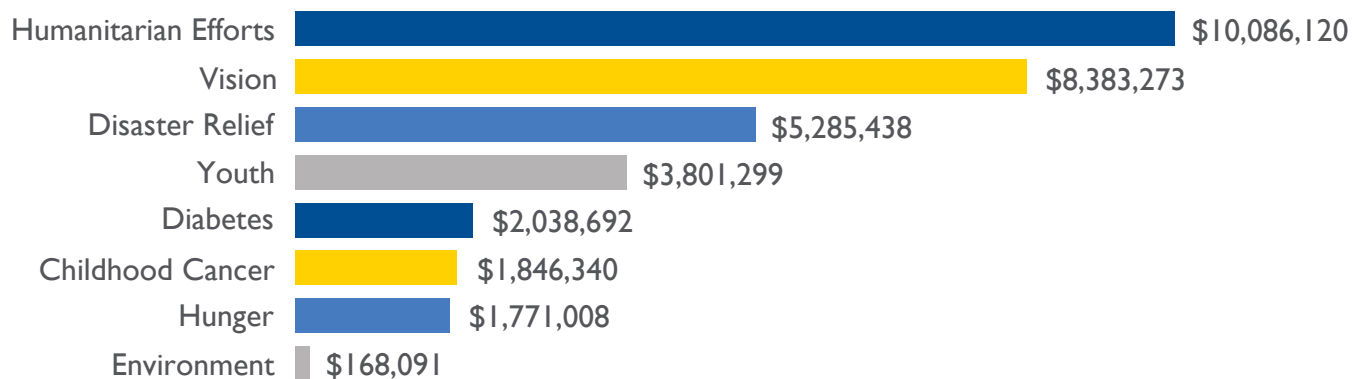
Keeping neighbors safe as COVID-19 ravaged their country, Lions in India distributed multivitamins, oxygen machines, gloves, face masks, PPE kits, and hand sanitizer.



# Magnifying Hope for Our World in Need

In fiscal year 2020-2021, LCIF awarded 1,997 grants totaling more than US\$33.3 million\*. Grant funding empowered Lions worldwide to better their communities and deeply impact those in need.

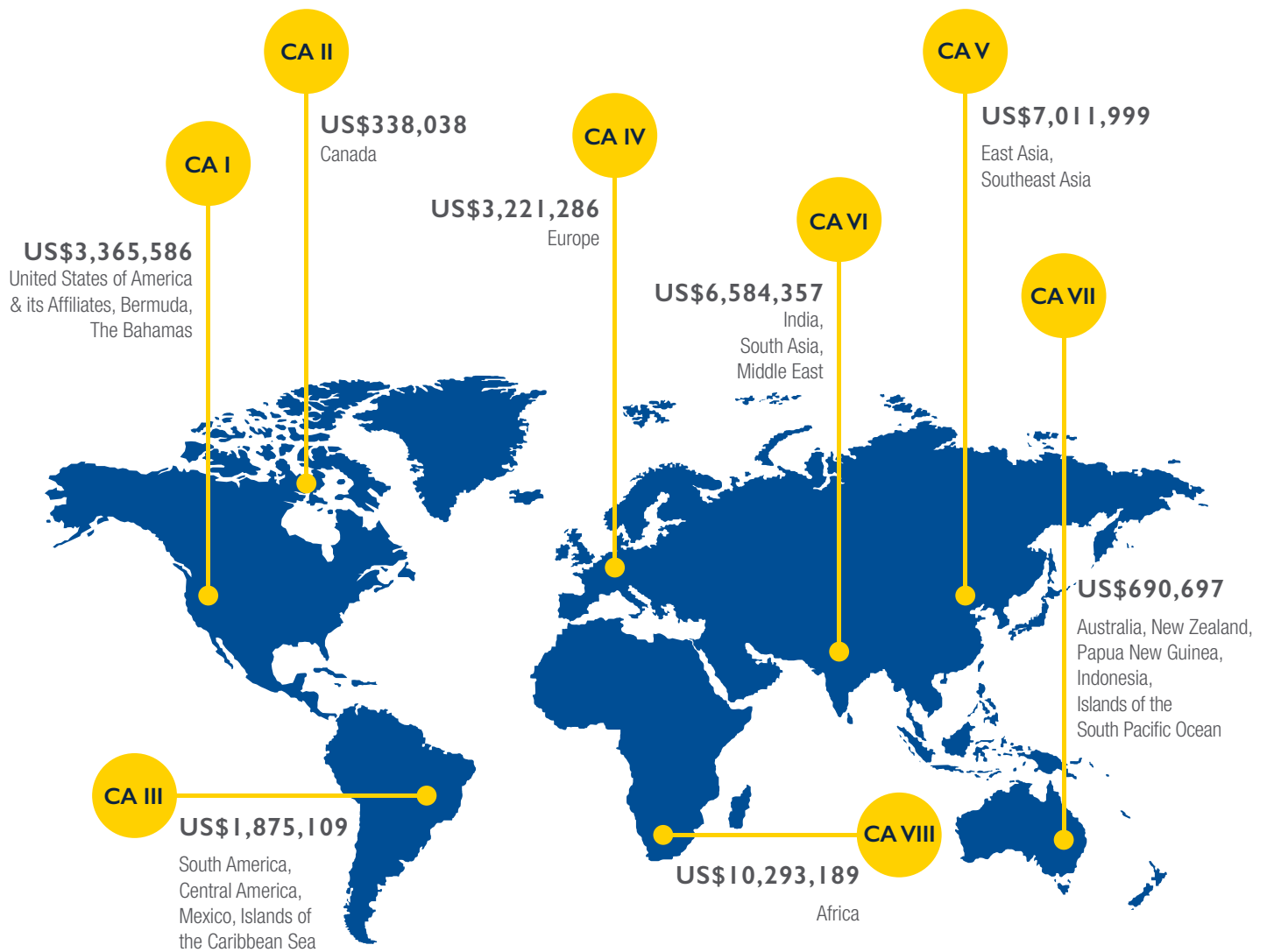
## Grants Awarded by Cause Area (US\$)\*



\* representative of all 2020-2021 grants, including those conditionally approved



## Grants Awarded by Lions Constitutional Area (CA)\*



\* representative of all 2020-2021 grants, including those conditionally approved

# Partners, Affiliates, Technical Partners

LCIF's partnerships, affiliations, and technical partnerships provide opportunities to share critical knowledge, inspiration, and financial support and resources to advance large and promising projects, and to accelerate meaningful change globally.

## Our Partners

Organizations that provided LCIF with funding during the year.



## Our Affiliates

Executing partners that utilized funds provided by LCIF during the year.



## Our Technical Partners

Organizations with which LCIF convened during the year to ensure sustainable, impactful projects.



# Two Decades of Partnership in Vision

Each year, visual impairments affect 19 million children globally. Those with early onset severe vision impairment often experience delayed motor, language, emotional, social, and cognitive development. School-age children with vision impairment can also experience educational achievement and self-esteem at lower levels than peers who do not have vision impairment. Early diagnosis, intervention, and treatment can greatly improve a child's educational and future success.

LCIF and Johnson & Johnson Vision partnered in 2002 to implement Sight For Kids, the world's largest-known, school-based eye health program, which aims to equip communities with tools critical to providing all children with equal access to quality eye healthcare. In low-income schools and underserved communities, Sight For Kids mobilizes eye care professionals and Lions volunteers to provide comprehensive eye health services – from screening children to providing eyeglasses and ensuring special treatments.

As an active member of the program, Ophthalmologist Dr. Freddy Simon, based in India, notes that teacher involvement in pre-screening is a critical part of the process. "Teachers have a unique position. They can notice things from the kids even parents cannot," he said.

Additionally, Dr. Simon is inspired by the children with whom he works. "I treat adults and children, but the satisfaction I get by treating children is slightly more because they have their whole [lives ahead of them].... We change their career; we change their studies. We are giving them a leg up in life," he said.

Sight For Kids currently reaches four countries in Asia, Africa, and, most recently, the United States. Sight For Kids is furthering their impact through additional collaborative projects between LCIF and Johnson & Johnson Vision, including employee engagement opportunities, cause- and purpose-driven brand marketing campaigns, and site expansions.

"Working together, we've created an incredible, powerful program reaching millions of children annually," said Johnson & Johnson Vision Company Group Chairman Shlomi Nachman. "I'm grateful to Lions for their passion for eye health and applaud the way they are partnering with eye care professionals, local governments, and community members to make sure we're reaching the maximum number of children. Together, we're making an incredible difference."



## Sight For Kids By the Numbers

Together, we are breaking down barriers to eye health care for children in low-income and underserved communities globally.

**42 million+**

students reached globally since program launch

**3 million+**

students currently served annually through Sight For Kids

**600,000+**

children referred for eyeglasses and other specialty treatments

**200,000+**

teachers trained to deliver eye health education, perform visual acuity tests, screen students for common eye conditions since 2002



## Milestone Moments

As the world navigated ongoing public health and economic challenges, fiscal year 2020-2021 bore witness to the value of tenacity and ingenuity in times of adversity. Other milestones celebrating and benefitting Lions, Leos, Foundation partners, and those served worldwide were also reached during the fiscal year.

### OCTOBER:

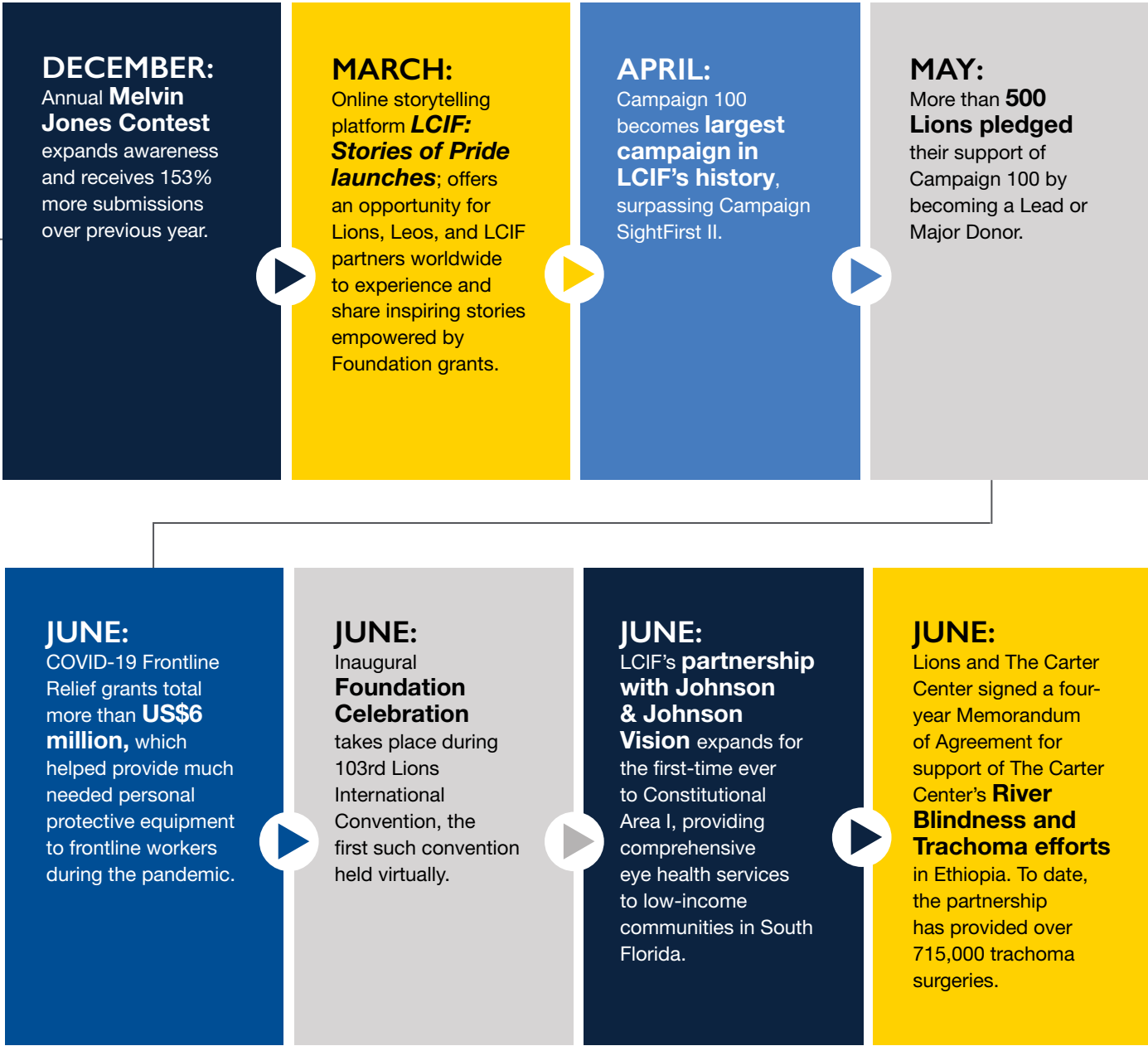
LCIF collaborates with Pan-American Health Organization on emergency mass vaccination campaign to stem Brazil's growing tide of measles cases; **11.7 million+ vaccinated.**

### OCTOBER:

Celebration of **SightFirst 30th Anniversary**, LCIF's most notable program funding efforts to fight major causes of preventable and reversible blindness, and to provide services to those with blindness or visual impairment, launches.

### NOVEMBER:

Lions Quest, LCIF's signature youth education and social and emotional learning program, launches **Lions Quest Online**, providing users of the program's US edition online access to the comprehensive, evidence-based curriculum.



### 2020-2021 GROWTH

- In first full year of enhanced planned giving initiative, **68 commitments, valued at US\$4.12 million+**, received in future legacy gifts; preparations begin for FY2021-2022 initiative expansion to Canada and Australia.
- Facebook **followers increase 45%** and Facebook fundraiser **revenue grows 56%** over prior fiscal years.
- Online **donations grow 61%** over prior fiscal year.





## The largest capital fundraising campaign in Foundation history launched in July 2017 with a goal to raise US\$300 million by June 2022.

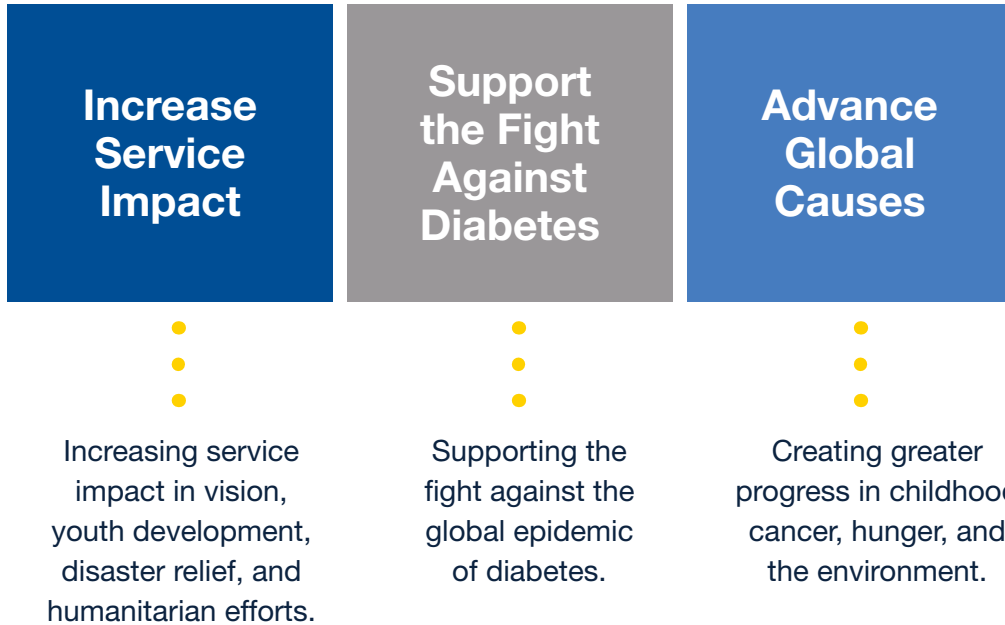
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Campaign 100 will enable the Foundation to empower the service of Lions for generations to come. As they have since 2017, Past International Presidents Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and J. Frank Moore III continue to lead the campaign at the international level as chairperson and vice chairperson, respectively.

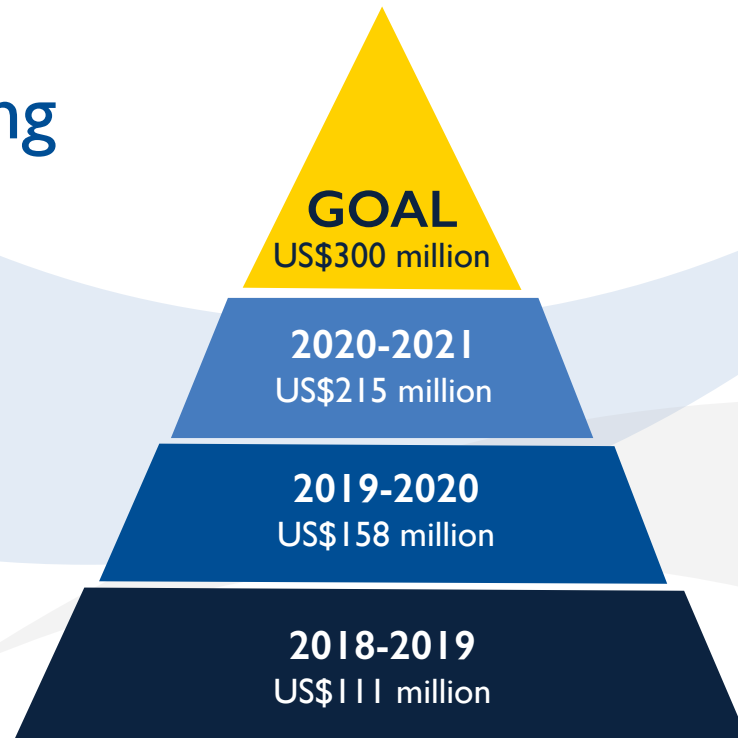
## The Need Continues

Fiscal year 2020-2021 began amid the COVID-19 crisis and with prior year fundraising challenges continuing. Also underscoring the ongoing need for Campaign 100 were global issues beyond the pandemic. Natural disasters came like clockwork. Childhood cancers were diagnosed. Diabetes challenges continued, as did food insecurity, eye disease, environmental concerns, and issues facing youth.

With a focus on Lions' and Leos' ability to serve more meaningfully in both the near-term and coming decades, Campaign 100 will continue to:



## Fundraising Progress







## Campaign 100 Model Clubs

Model Clubs provide significant Campaign 100 financial support by broadly promoting Lions, LCIF, and the campaign. Strategies include seeking donations from club and community members; dedicating fundraising events and treasury donations to Campaign 100; and inspiring other clubs to become LCIF fundraising champions.

A club's minimum financial contribution to achieve base-level Model Club status is calculated as follows:

$$500 \times \text{Number of Club Members} = \text{US\$ Financial Contribution}$$

In FY2020-2021, 1,306 more clubs worldwide committed to the Model Club effort. The year closed with 3,239 Model Clubs – a 62 percent increase over prior year.

**1,306**  
New Committed Clubs

**3,239**  
Year End Clubs

**62%**  
Increase

## Model Clubs at June 30, 2021

Constitutional Area	FY2020-2021 New Model Clubs	Total Model Clubs
CA I	169	443
CA II	21	41
CA III	19	45
CA IV	97	201
CA V	800	2,146
CA VI	135	235
CA VII	39	63
CA VIII	26	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>3,239</b>

# New Fundraising Frontiers



Tenacious in times of adversity, Lions and Leos worldwide met fundraising challenges creatively – while staying safe and socially distant – to magnify Campaign 100 participation.



## UNITED STATES:

Tech-savvy, driven Leos honored “Corona Warriors,” producing an online LCIF fundraiser showcasing diverse cultures and talents. Promoting the event on social media, live streaming it on YouTube, and broadcasting it on a global television station helped raise nearly US\$18,000.

## ITALY:

With a US\$4,070 LCIF District and Club Community Impact grant, Lions supported a project helping young cancer patients in Rome. To celebrate the project and raise funds for LCIF and Campaign 100, Lions hosted and live-streamed a virtual concert featuring world-renowned pianist and Lion Cristiana Pegoraro.





## EUROPE:

Virtual happy hours across the continent provided a safe way for Lions to reconnect with fellow club members. While enjoying fun and camaraderie, generous LCIF supporters donated sums equivalent to the cost of buying a round of drinks. Similar gatherings took place worldwide.



## INDONESIA:

Honoring the legacy of Lions' Founder Melvin Jones, while raising awareness of LCIF and funds for Campaign 100, nearly 475 Lions united in service and peddled the streets during a socially distanced bicycle ride.



## CANADA/ UNITED STATES:

Lions in Canada and the United States raised more than US\$900,000 during a four-hour Tell-a-Thon hosted by then International First Vice President Douglas Alexander. Those tuning in enjoyed heartwarming beneficiary stories, music, and celebrity appearances.



## AUSTRALIA:

Lions Past Council Chairperson Lou Onley challenged Aussie Lions to donate to LCIF to earn the right to vote for a color he would dye his hair. The winners? Vivid purple and beneficiaries of Lions service empowered by grants made possible by Campaign 100.



## GLOBAL:

Remaining safe while also continuing their LCIF support, Lions, Leos, and friends of LCIF worldwide created 303 Facebook fundraisers for the Foundation during the fiscal year, yielding US\$139,225.



# Serving through Generous Support

Lions Clubs International Foundation is grateful to donors providing generous support this year, and to the year’s new Lions Legacy Society members, whose future-gift commitments will serve next-generation Lions, Leos, and beneficiaries.

## Donor Top Tens 2020-2021

### TOP CONTRIBUTING LIONS DISTRICTS

District	Donations (US\$)
300-E1 .....	\$1,159,353
300-G2 .....	\$1,150,198
335-B .....	\$1,113,922
300-B2 .....	\$1,024,388
334-A .....	\$1,013,095
335-C .....	\$815,816
354-D .....	\$798,946
300-C2 .....	\$733,000
355-A .....	\$579,218
300-A2 .....	\$546,375

### TOP CONTRIBUTING LIONS DISTRICTS BY PER-MEMBER-AVERAGE

District	Donations (US\$)
300-E1 .....	\$595
300-B2 .....	\$480
354-H.....	\$303
300-G2.....	\$269
300-D2.....	\$241
331-A.....	\$224
335-C.....	\$224
334-A.....	\$192
335-D.....	\$191
300-F.....	\$187

## Top Contributors (US\$) 2020-2021

### US\$400,000+

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The Foundation is pleased to recognize our newest donors creating personal Lions legacies and ensuring LCIF grant program funding beyond their lifetimes.

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## 2020-2021

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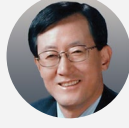
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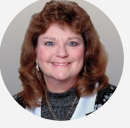
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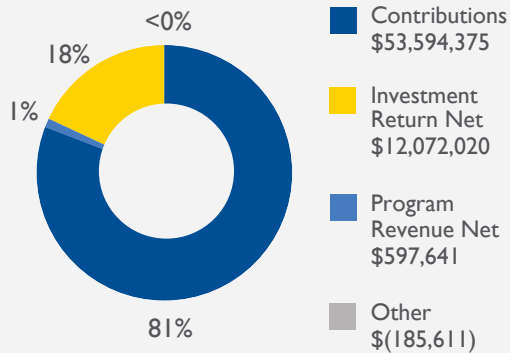
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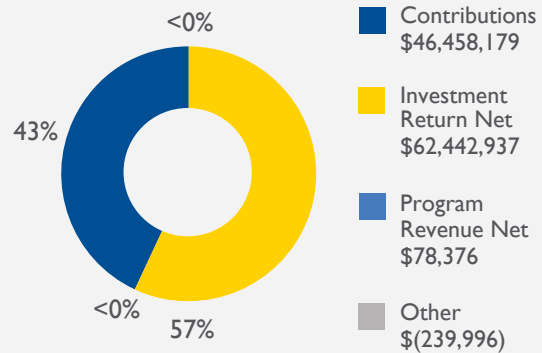
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## LCIF Revenue and Gains By Fiscal Year (US\$)

2019-2020

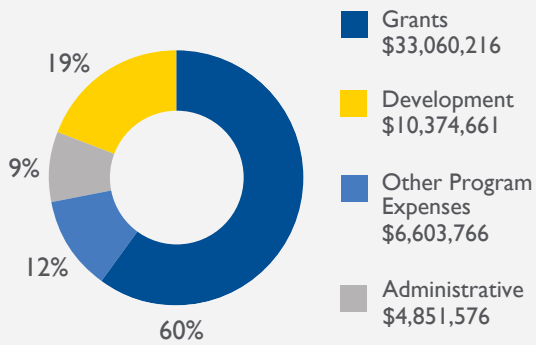


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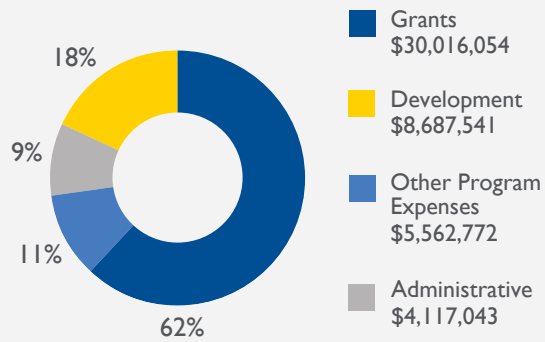


## LCIF Expenses By Fiscal Year (US\$)

2019-2020



2020-2021



Net Assets at End of Fiscal Year (US\$)

2019-2020



\$302,171,822

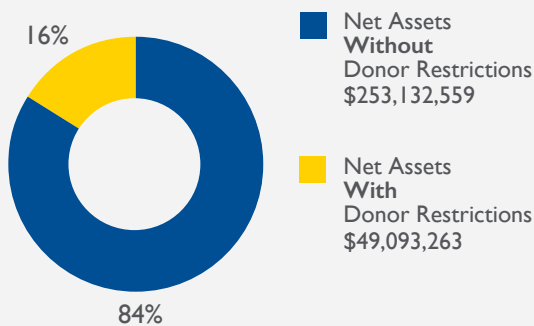
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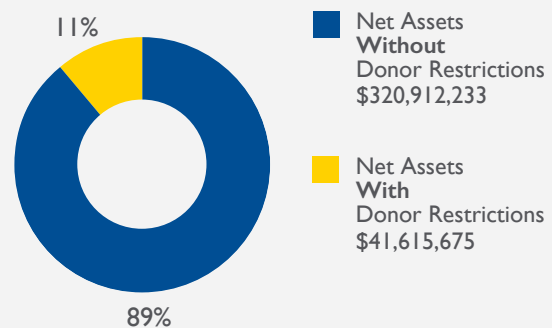
\$362,527,908

## Total Net Assets By Fiscal Year (US\$)

2019-2020



2020-2021



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION | June 30

ASSETS	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$16,346,779	\$6,956,746
Accrued investment income receivable	312,622	320,691
Accounts receivable, net	77,246	51,057
Due from non-United States Lions Clubs districts	1,146,588	1,003,694
Due from The International Association of Lions Clubs	5,880,774	4,708,926
Prepaid expenses	1,165,385	1,141,147
Promises to give, net	9,316,302	13,171,718
Investments	346,869,801	294,546,003
Property and equipment, net	419,457	575,165
Other assets	-	5,229
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>381,534,954</b>	<b>322,480,376</b>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	2021	2020
Accounts payable	\$664,610	\$798,832
Accrued expenses	739,494	483,536
Deferred revenue	115,885	-
Grants payable	17,416,630	18,947,332
Charitable gift annuities	70,427	78,854
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>19,007,046</b>	<b>20,308,554</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		
Without donor restrictions	320,912,233	253,132,559
With donor restrictions	41,615,675	49,039,263
Total net assets	362,527,908	302,171,822
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>381,534,954</b>	<b>322,480,376</b>

## STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES | June 30, 2021

	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
<b>OPERATING</b>			
Revenues and gains			
Contributions	\$37,291,169	\$9,167,010	\$46,458,179
Program revenue, net	78,376	-	78,376
Investment return, net	16,203,835	-	16,203,835
Net assets released from restrictions			
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions	16,836,796	(16,836,796)	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE AND GAINS</b>	<b>70,410,176</b>	<b>(7,669,786)</b>	<b>62,740,390</b>
Expenses and losses			
Program services			
Grants	30,016,054	-	30,016,054
SightFirst	1,717,250	-	1,717,250
Lions Quest	1,725,619	-	1,725,619
Other	2,119,903	-	2,119,903
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES</b>	<b>35,578,826</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,578,826</b>
Administrative	4,117,043	-	4,117,043
Development	8,687,541	-	8,687,541
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>48,383,410</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,383,410</b>
Operating revenue and gains in excess of (less than) operating expenses	22,026,766	(7,669,786)	14,356,980
<b>NON-OPERATING</b>			
Revenue and gains			
Investment return, net	45,992,904	246,198	46,239,102
Net loss on currency exchange	(238,000)	-	(238,000)
Change in value of charitable gift annuities	(2,011)	-	(2,011)
Other income	15	-	15
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE AND GAINS</b>	<b>45,752,908</b>	<b>246,198</b>	<b>45,999,106</b>
Changes in net assets	67,779,674	(7,423,588)	60,356,086
Net assets, beginning of year	253,132,559	49,039,263	302,171,822
<b>NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$320,912,233</b>	<b>\$41,615,675</b>	<b>\$362,527,908</b>

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW | June 30**

	2021	2020
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Change in net assets	\$60,356,086	\$11,188,206
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	155,708	187,516
Net realized and unrealized (gains) on investments	(57,064,370)	(6,317,147)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Accrued investment income receivable	8,069	107,137
Accounts receivable	(26,189)	(16,552)
Due from non-United States Lions Clubs districts	(142,894)	(442,765)
Due from The International Association of Lions Clubs	(1,171,848)	(4,708,926)
Prepaid expense	(24,238)	(31,089)
Promises to give, net	3,855,416	(3,953,967)
Other assets	5,229	42,744
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	121,736	721,413
Due to The International Association of Lions Clubs	-	(1,484,154)
Deferred revenue	115,885	-
Grants payable	(1,530,702)	(6,778,681)
Charitable gift annuities	(8,427)	(56,157)
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>4,649,461</b>	<b>(11,509,318)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of investments	(81,997,601)	(135,035,816)
Proceeds from sale of investments	86,738,173	148,664,031
Purchases of property and equipment	-	(260,788)
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>4,740,572</b>	<b>13,367,427</b>
<b>CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	6,956,746	5,098,637
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$16,346,779</b>	<b>\$6,956,746</b>



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