



## MD Partnerships and Appeal projects

-  **Activity Alliance**, formerly the EFDS, are a national body which has the vision that disabled people are active in sporting and physical activities so they can achieve their full potential. Through donations and physical support from Lions Clubs it enables the charity to hold their Annual National Junior Championship Games.
-   **Lions Brain Tumour & Paediatric Cancer Foundation** is establishing a Research Centre of Excellence looking for cures to brain tumours. More children and adults die under the age of 40 through brain tumours than with any other cancer.
-   **Disaster Appeals** both at home and overseas are led by Lions Clubs to raise funds following a disaster to enable them to offer help to those in need.
-  **Gift for Living** focusses on the needs of children and their families who have suffered because of international conflict in former Yugoslavia. The current appeal is for funding two theatre beds and to train professionals.
-  **Lions International Blood Research Appeal (LIBRA)** is a blood cancer charity which raises much needed funds for the Haematology Department at King's College Hospital in London, benefitting patients with blood cancers and disorders. The Tree of Life campaign requires funds to cover the cost of equipment for the development of a ground-breaking leukaemia vaccine and other blood cancer treatments.
-   **Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)** is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International. Donated funds are disbursed as grants through Lions Clubs for humanitarian projects and when a disaster strikes. Funding is needed continually to enable LCIF to respond to a disaster as and when they happen.
-   **Moorfields Lions Korle Bu Trust** has built and established a Lions International Eye Centre in Ghana. Courses are being planned over a 3 year period based on training surgeons to train others. Funding plans are currently being drawn-up.
-   **Lions MD105 Lifeskills** provides Lifeskills based education initiatives and resources for all those working with children and young people from the ages of 5-19 years of age. Purchasing and donating resources helps to support the future of all children and young people here in the British Isles and overseas to School Aid.
-   **Lions Sight Savers Trust** has been set up to work in partnership with Sightsavers. Since 2014, the partnerships aims have been to raise funds towards one million sight-restoring operations, known as a 'Million Miracles'.
-   **Marie Curie & Lions** partnership raises funds through the annual Great Daffodil Appeal with Lions Clubs collecting during this time. For every £20 raised this supports one hour of local hands-on nursing care in a persons' home or in a Marie Curie Hospice. Marie Curie collects donated glasses through their 180 shops and passes these to their local Lions Clubs.
-   **MedicAlert** is a medical charity supporting people with medical conditions and allergies. Lions partnership with MedicAlert through the Early Start Programme offers free MedicAlert membership and an ID piece of jewellery to any child up to the age of ten. Lions Clubs are asked to support children in need.
-  **Special Olympics GB** provides participation opportunities for intellectually disabled people to take part in sport at whatever level they choose. Sporting events are run on a regional, national and international level. Every four years, Special Olympics in Great Britain hold a National Games and through the partnership with Lions Clubs International, Lions play a special role by supporting their families programme.
-   **UNICEF** appeals are supported by Lions Clubs International. MD105 support various projects. Famine action in areas where UNICEF have reach and we do not e.g. war areas & East Africa Famine Crisis, School in a Box, and the Children's General Fund. Winterisation – Warm Winter Clothing, Winter Blankets etc.
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## MD Service Projects



**Lions Message in a Bottle** is a simple but effective idea that enables individuals to keep their personal and medical details in a common location – the fridge. If the emergency services are called to a home, they are quickly able to find this vital information.



**Blind Veterans UK** supports those who have served in the armed forces and living with significant sight loss. Lions Clubs have supported two major projects; to transform disused buildings to provide a state-of-the-art complex to re-train service personnel including providing Smart IT equipment. Secondly equipping the woodland workshop with specialist hand tools, a treadle operated lathe, wood shaving machines, and an electrical generator.



**Head and Neck** Cancer Awareness Programme enables Lions Clubs to promote the work of the Head and Neck Cancer Foundation. Everyday 31 people are diagnosed in the UK with a head and neck cancer.



**Diabetes UK** – ‘know your risk’ training sessions currently being attended by Lions members.



Lions Clubs holding **diabetic screening** sessions with support from their local GP surgery, pharmacy or diabetic nurse with awareness stalls highlighting the risks of diabetes.



Lions lead **Environmental community projects** for example: community clean-ups, villages, towns, beaches, reduce the use of plastic, recycling of spectacles, hearing aids, batteries etc., planting of trees, shrubs and plants, encourage projects with bees and bugs and the photographic competitions.



Schemes to **combat hunger** such as food sharing, food banks, feeding schoolchildren in holiday periods, the homeless, the elderly, supporting food banks and larders, hampers and fruit and vegetable plots are all encouraged by Lions Clubs.



**Lions Eye Health Programme (LEHP)**, awareness raising of age related eye diseases and conditions with the public.



**Lioness Clubs** share the same ethics as Lions Clubs and are a project of Lions Clubs. Their members work in all the same five global service areas as Lions Clubs do.



**Peace Poster and Essay Competitions** are international Lions Clubs competitions held in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity. The annual peace essay contest encourages blind and visually impaired children to express their thoughts of peace through the written word.



**Physical and Learning Disability** projects vary from supporting disabled sporting events held locally to equipping individuals with a variety of aids.



Lions Clubs hold **prostate cancer screening** sessions with support from their local prostate cancer support groups and phlebotomists together with awareness stalls highlighting the risks of prostate cancer.



Lions Clubs collect and donate **used hearing equipment** that is sent to Dr Michael Nolan of the Starkey Hearing Foundation for refurbishment before being sent overseas.



Lions Clubs collect and donate hundreds and thousands of pairs of **Used spectacles** via Chichester Lions Club for sorting before being sent to Lions Medico France for cleaning, grading and then onward to the third world to give sight to those in need



**Speech and hearing** projects raises awareness of the problems that deaf people struggle with on a daily basis.



The relationship between **United Nations** and Lions began after the end of the Second World War. LCI was already an established worldwide service organisation and its founder Melvin Jones and Past International Presidents were asked to help develop a

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non-governmental organisation (NGO) charter for the new global organisation. Over the years, Lions and the UN have cooperated on many humanitarian ventures and have a shared motto: "To create and foster a spirit of understanding amongst the people of the world".



Lions **Young Ambassador Award** is a scheme, which operates throughout Europe and aims to recognise, encourage and support young people from the age of 15-19 who are actively involved in the welfare of the community.



Lions **Young Leaders in Service Award** recognise young people from the ages of 12-18 for their community service within a 12 month period, with 50 hours for a Silver Seal Award and 100 hours for a Gold Seal Award.



**Youth Camp and Youth Exchange** Programme gives thousands of young people the opportunity to experience life in other cultures and gain a new understanding of the world through travel abroad.



**Leo Clubs** provide youth with an opportunity for development and contribution, individually and collectively.

*Individual Lions Clubs are autonomous and can choose to support whichever projects they wish, including many local individuals and charities. The majority of appeals are administered through LCI MD105 Foundation (Charity no. 1164711)*



Fight against diabetes



Support childhood cancer initiatives



Relieve hunger



Improve eye health and eye care



Protect the environment



Youth



Engage young people



Disaster relief



Humanitarian efforts



Respond to humanitarian crises