



GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM

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SUBJECT: MD18 Global SERVICE Team Report – **JANUARY 2024**

Resource: MyLion Metrics / Club Health Assessment – January 2024 shows our 4 Districts with the following LCI results:

| Categories & Initiatives | LCI Totals |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| People Served: | 807,008 |
| Service Activities Completed: | 2,824 |
| Volunteer Hours: | 69,416 |
| Funds Donated: | \$343,316 |
| Funds Raised: | \$906,239 |

| District | Peo Serv | Diab. | Env. | CCancer | Hunger | Vision | Other (Youth) |
|----------|----------|-------|------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|
| L | 95K | 3K | 6K | | 8K | 32K | 16K |
| I | 367K | 3K | 154K | | 39K | 23K | 47K |
| O | 26K | 191 | 50 | | 1k | 984 | 4K |
| N | 625K | 4K | 129K | | 38K | 19K | 15K |
| District | Serv Act | Diab. | Env. | CCancer | Hunger | Vision | Other (Youth) |
| L | 1K | 25 | 45 | | 38 | 209 | 105 |
| I | 2K | 40 | 176 | | 248 | 199 | 238 |
| O | 870 | 5 | 22 | | 12 | 52 | 115 |
| N | 1K | 14 | 51 | | 91 | 136 | 131 |

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| District | Vol Hrs | Diab. | Env. | CCancer | Hunger | Vision | Other (Youth) |
|----------|------------|-------|------|---------|--------|--------|------------------|
| L | 29K | 685 | 706 | | 755 | 4K | 4K |
| I | 57K | 859 | 4K | | 4K | 3K | 6K |
| O | 12K | 141 | 380 | | 565 | 337 | 2K |
| N | 40K | 263 | 1K | | 4K | 1K | 4K |

Clubs **service reporting** against your District Governor’s yearend goal is:

Source: LCI Club Health Assessment Report – Note: **Received February 9, 2024**

- **District L** **44%** **DG YE Goal: 50%**
- **District I** **68%** **DG YE Goal: 65%**
- **District O** **32%** **DG YE Goal: 75%**
- **District N** **100%** **DG YE Goal: 60% - Awesome!**

| District | Clubs Not Reporting* | Percentage |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| L – 43 Clubs | 24 | 56% |
| I – 50 Clubs | 16 | 32% |
| O – 40 Clubs | 27 | 68% |
| N – 49 Clubs | 0 | 0 |
| | | |
| Total Clubs: 181 | | |

*Clubs not reporting 12(+) months.

*Is working with your Zone Chair feasible? Perhaps attend his/her multi-club ZC meeting.

*Source: LCI District Health Assessment for MD18 – January 2024

- PDG Philip Smith reports that MD Lions and Leos Pediatric Cancer Awareness with local groups were successful in the 1st half of our FY. There were 10,245 people served with 55 MD service projects and over 2,933 service hours completed.

The **Joshua Block Party officially commenced** and will **conclude at the State Convention** at the Porter Center – Dublin in April. He asks all Lions to bring their Lego’s to their District Convention or the State Convention.

- As we enter the last half of this fiscal year, please share with your clubs the following, hopefully at your upcoming District Convention:

PJ Packs for the State Convention in April – new PJs with price tags, folded and placed inside a gallon zip lock bag **with the ID INSERT, e.g., “Lions of Georgia, GIRL – SIZE _____”**. A couple of months ago, I sent a copy that has 2 Inserts per page to all District GSTs. Hopefully, each District GST will bring 200 PJ Packs to the State Convention for our **PJ Pack Service Project**. You might put a PJ Pack together to show everyone at your District Convention. I also asked that you select 2 or 3 clubs to focus on all sizes of under ware and

socks instead of PJs. Sizes are **Toddlers 1 – 3, Small 4 – 6, Medium 7 – 10, Large 11 – 14 and X-Large 15 – 18**. CHOA – Eggleston advised that ages 15 – 18 are always in need!

The **PJ Pack Service Project has been moved to 10:30 AM on Saturday, April 27th**. I will follow up with our State Leo Chair to ask their assistance in sorting under ware and socks into designated baskets prior to 10:30 AM and/or maybe Leos might have time on Friday evening to sort as well. Otherwise, **we will have to sort**.

Encourage all Lions (via your upcoming District Convention and a GST Release via your District Cabinet Secretary) to start purchasing new PJs and place in a gallon zip lock bag and bring to your District Convention and the final destination--the Lions State Convention in Dublin!

Encourage all attendees to donate some time at this State Convention Service Project and that their **volunteer hours** in purchasing PJs and participation at the State Project should be reported to their club secretary for volunteer hours credited to **Diabetes or Childhood Cancer**. Volunteer hours by family and friends should also be reported.

- All clubs that report all 5 Service Initiatives to LCI will receive a **2024 GST Service Banner Patch** at the State Convention District L, I, O & N Sunday meetings. ***Each of YOU will present this award!*** May I have your TOTAL by March 31 to order Service Banner Patches for your District. We proudly use the Service Banner Patch designed by District GST / PCC Cathy Williams (District N). ***Thank you for your creativity, Ms. Cathy!***
- Finally, all clubs are encouraged to participate in the **State Convention Club Tri-fold Service Contest**. A flyer has been released to all Lions by the Convention Committee. The Committee is processing the location that these Tri-folds will be displayed at the State Convention.
- As I'm made aware of current events and updates, I will keep you in the loop so that you can share with your District Lions.
- Based on the Service Projects at our State Convention, each District Convention should have a large box for **Lego's** and another large box for **PJ Packs** (new PJs with price tags in a gallon zip lock bag with an ID insert – furnished by you). Either the District GST or a designated Lion will bring them to the State Convention for a final count.

Together, we will make sure Diabetic and Childhood Cancer patients are remembered in our hearts!

When a child receives a PJ Pack in the hospital, you can bet his or her parents will know it came from **Lions of Georgia!**

- All volunteer hours at the State Convention PJ Pack Service Project will also be **credited** to Diabetes or Childhood Cancer by club secretaries. ***Let's make this a banner year for our young Diabetics and Childhood Cancer patients.***
- Service the 1st half of this fiscal year has shown great progress in our State with Vision, Hunger and Environment, even though Diabetes and Childhood Cancer remain far behind. But this is evidence that our Lions are creating a better world for their communities.



- **District GST Reports:**

- District L GST Nancy Madden:
- District I GST Teresa Dove:
- District O GST Wanda Johnson:
- **District N GST Cathy Williams:**

Current club count is 48. I'm happy to **report that District N has hit 100% Club Service Activities reporting to LCI.**

Other LCI goals include – “Vision, Hunger and Environment Initiatives were reported, but Diabetes and Childhood Cancer continue to lag. We are hopeful that the 2nd half of our Fiscal Year will see great results because of the focus on PJ Packs, Lego’s, and other service activities through Vision projects. Working to increase Lions Camp

participation. Working on membership recruitment to help meet the 1.5M member goal.”

Plans for next month include – “Preparations for the upcoming District Convention / District GST presentation. **Our goal is to report Service Activities in all 5 Initiatives.** We are promoting the Lego’s and PJ Pack projects.”

District N has been diligent and determined since July 1, 2023 to fulfill their District Governor’s goal as well as LCI goals. Education and follow-up from the beginning is key to their progress. ***Congratulations to Lions and Leos of District N!***

- A review of MyLCI service activities shows similarities among our 4 Districts, but it also shows many more are regional, i.e. the mountains, the vast agricultural land, and the coastal areas, e.g. beach cleanup, city cleanup, and feed the hungry! GSTs must continue to encourage service activities accordingly. Brainstorm with Lions the needs of their regional community and how any of our Initiatives would better their communities. And again, when reporting, ask yourself – “*can that service activity be placed in any of our Initiatives—not “other”.*”
- ***“Change The World with Your Service”***
 - **February** – 15th is **Childhood Cancer Day** – check LCI webpage for service ideas.
 - **March** – Lions Day with the United Nations – 1st held in March 1978. Plan an advocacy activity to help make positive change.
 - **April** – 22nd is **Earth Day** – check the Environment webpage.
 - **May** – 28th is **World Hunger Day** – check the Hunger webpage.
 - **June** – Hold an **LCIF fundraiser** or check the LCIF Grants Toolkit to extend a legacy of service.



Be on the lookout for announcements on this exciting event!

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- **Success Stories** – Please continue to encourage your clubs to share their stories. As a State, each District can learn from each other. We encourage Lions and Leos to send their service activity pictures, with captions, to Lion Angela Helwig (angelahelwig57@gmail.com) for our **State Newsletter** and Webmaster Kevin Walsh at kwalsh409@gmail.com.

We commend the multi-club service projects—hundreds benefit by this service!

Thank you, Lions of Georgia

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