

Look at LCIF!



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Did you Know..... Types of LCIF Grants

By the Numbers

\$29,596,877 US

The amount granted for onchocerciasis in Africa and Latin America. In some Western African communities about 50 percent of men over the age of 40 have been blinded by onchocerciasis.

5,300,000

The number of people who have been treated through LCIF/Noor Dubai partnership to prevent blindness through onchocerciasis commonly known as river blindness.

80

Represents the percentage of blindness that can be prevented. SightFirst is funding onchocerciasis programs (river blindness) in fifteen countries throughout the world.

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LCIF provides all sorts of grants:

- **SightFirst Grants**
- **Standard Grants**
- **International Assistance Grants**
- **Core 4 Grants**
- **Emergency Grants**
- **Major Catastrophe Grants**

SightFirst Grants target preventable and reversible blindness worldwide. The program funds high-quality, sustainable projects that deliver eye care services, develop infrastructure, train personnel and/or provide rehabilitation and education in under served communities. SightFirst grant applications and project proposals are developed in cooperation with LCIF staff and implemented by Lions and their local partners.

Standard Grants are approved for large-scale humanitarian projects. To qualify, projects must serve many people and must

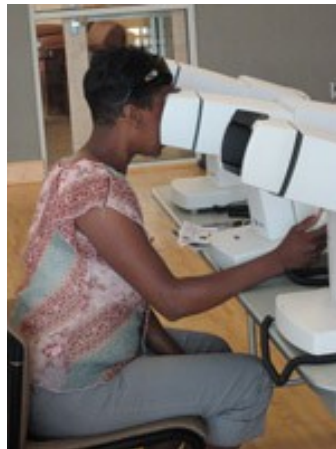
be beyond the scope of traditional club and/or district fundraising activities. LCIF provides matching grants of up to US \$75,000 for projects including mobile

health units, hospices, nursing homes, medical and eye clinics, street children's homes, centers for the blind and disabled and schools in developing countries.

Core 4 Grants provide up to US \$200,000 for large-scale projects that qualify under one of four program areas: preserving sight, combating disability, promoting health and serving youth. The CORE 4 grant program has

pre-determined priorities which currently include diabetes treatment and prevention, low vision projects, Preschool Vision Screening Program, eye care for Special Olympics athletes, building homes in partnership with Habitat for Humanity and expanding or implementing Lions Quest, our schools based program.

The final three grants in next month's issue.



LCIF Humanitarian Initiatives

Diabetes Treatment/Prevention -

In 1999, LCIF established diabetes prevention and control as part of the Core 4 grant program. Since beginning these efforts, LCIF has approved fifteen diabetes related grants totaling US \$1.3 million

Habitat for Humanity Partnership -

LCIF partnered with Habitat for Humanity International in 1999 and has provided more than US \$12 million to help construct homes

for people with disabilities. More than 1,000 homes have been built worldwide as a result of this partnership.

Affordable Hearing Aid Project -

This United States based pilot project makes high-quality, affordable hearing aids available to Lions clubs who, in turn, provide the aids to low income people with hearing impairment. LCIF has partnered with Rexton, Inc., a leading manufacturer of hearing aids to provide two hearing aid models to Lions clubs.