

**Ämne:** VB: Lions Provide Relief After Cyclone Idai hits-UPDATE

Hej alla!

Här kommer lite information och vädjan från LCIF beträffande katastrofen i sydöstra Afrika. Jag skickar den till Guvenörsrådet för vidare spridning i distrikten.

Hälsningar

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Dear Lions,

We have recently received many inquiries from Lion leaders with genuine concern for the victims of Cyclone Idai in Mozambique, Malawi, and Zimbabwe. I hope you will find this update useful as you communicate about the impact of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

Malawi, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe are in a state of national emergency and are leading a humanitarian response in their respective countries, supported by humanitarian partners. Thousands of people are missing, hundreds reported dead, and search and rescue efforts are ongoing. The government and authorities report the need for emergency relief items including tents, food, medicines, and helicopters for rescue operations and delivery of assistance. Due to the extensive damage to roads from extremely heavy rains, it has been difficult to assist affected people. To assist local Lions in their relief efforts, LCIF has awarded three grants; two emergency grants of US \$10,000 and a Major Catastrophe Grant of US \$50,000 to provide resources such as maize flour, clothing, tents, blankets, and other needed relief items in Mozambique, Malawi, and Zimbabwe; with more grants that may follow.

Thank you to those who have already taken immediate action to aid the victims affected by Cyclone Idai. Please encourage donations to the [LCIF Disaster Relief Fund](#). Our Foundation is a beacon of hope for those that have lost everything. Feel free to use the sample draft press releases and attached photos to help raise funds.

Best Regards,

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**LIONS LOOK TO RAISE FUNDS ON (DATE)**

**(City, date)** -- Members of the **(name)** Lions Club will be holding **(type of fundraiser)** at **(location)** on **(date)** to raise funds for Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Funds donated by community members will be used to **(list if for specific LCIF- cause or purpose)**.

“Money raised on **(date)** will allow Lions to meet pressing needs in our community including **(mention a few)**,” said **(name, title such as club president or project chairperson)** of **(name)** Lions Club. “Lions members thank everyone who contributes to this important work. You are truly helping Lions make a difference in our community.” **(edit quote as desired)**

The **(name)** Lions Club has **(#)** members and meets on **(day of week/month)** at **(time)** at **(location)**. Lions clubs are a group of men and women who identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to get involved with the **(name)** Lions Club, please contact **(name)** at **(phone number/add Web site address if appropriate)**.

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**Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)** is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International, the world’s largest service club organization, with 1.42 million members in more than 200 countries and geographic areas. Since 1968, LCIF has funded humanitarian service through financial gifts from Lions International members, the general public, and partners from the corporate, government and non-government sectors. To build a more promising future for the world, LCIF is increasing its support of efforts to combat vision problems, provide valuable life skills to youth, respond to major catastrophes, and build programs to address the needs of at-risk and vulnerable populations. LCIF is also working to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those living with the disease, and is expanding its global causes to include childhood cancer, hunger and the environment while raising funds to empower even more service from Lions. For more information, visit [lionsclubs.org/LCIF](http://lionsclubs.org/LCIF).



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**LIONS COMMITTED TO REBUILDING (location)**

**(City, date)** -- The **(name)** Lions Club has mobilized **(amount)** to help support relief efforts after the **(disaster name/type)** struck **(location)**.

To date, Lions around the world have mobilized more than US\$(**amount**) to support LCIF's relief efforts in **(location)**. Immediate relief efforts centered on providing **(items provided, needs met)**, while long-term efforts are focused on **(list what long-term efforts will focus on)**.

“Lions are committed to rebuilding communities impacted by the **(disaster name/type)** in **(location)**. Through support from people in our community, our club is able to help so many more,” said **(name, title such as club president or project chairperson)** of **(name)** Lions Club. **(Edit quote as needed)**

This project using resources from LCIF's **(disaster name/type)** fund will provide **(project description)**. In total, US\$(**amount**) will support the **(project name)** project. LCIF is working with **(agency partnering with LCIF if applicable)**, to provide **(what project provides)**.

The Foundation has a long history in providing disaster relief, allocating more than US\$50 million for emergency relief and recovery over the last 10 years. This includes more than US\$26 million for the Haiti earthquake, the New Zealand earthquake and the Japan earthquake and tsunami combined. Each year LCIF awards funds to aid communities following disasters and is often active providing for other needs, sending tents for shelter and setting up food and supplies distribution.

Moving forward, LCIF and Lions remains committed to **(Location)**. Projects will be implemented over the long-term. Similar to other disasters, Lions hope to rebuild homes and hospitals, redevelop the eye care delivery system, and provide help for those with disabilities, including those disabled because of this disaster **(adjust if elements are not applicable)**.

To donate online, visit [www.lcif.org/donate](http://www.lcif.org/donate) and select Disaster. Please include “**(name of designated LCIF fund)**” in the comments section. You may also mail a check payable to Lions Clubs International Foundation (noting “**(name of designated LCIF fund)**” in the memo field) to LCIF, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547, USA, Attn.: Donor Services.

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For more information about Lions relief efforts, please contact **(name)** at **(phone number/add Web site address if appropriate)**.

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