

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105BS

District Governor 2010-2011

Lion Tony Gadsby

To 105BS Clubs, District Officers & PDG's

Fellow Lions,

DG Tony asked that the information below was circulated by e-mail on March 14th. It is reproduced in this mailing for the attention of your club members, though some of the figures quoted below have now changed.

Regards

David Slack

District Secretary

As the LCIF MD105 Coordinator I am forwarding to you overnight information from LCIF concerning an appeal which has been started by the Foundation to support the 100,000+ Lions in Japan with their disaster relief projects following the recent earthquake and tsunami centred off the coast of Japan in the Tohoku Pacific Ocean Coast region, 373 kilometres (230 miles) from Tokyo. This is the worst disaster to have hit Japan for over 100 years with hundreds of people dead and hundreds more missing.

Already LCIF has established a designated account for disaster relief and designated funds totalling US\$1.25 million (100 million Japanese Yen) in initial support for immediate relief. This includes major catastrophe and emergency grant funds as well as designated donations from Lions around the world.

In response to the significant size and scope of the disaster, the LCIF executive committee and board are considering making donations MJF eligible. If approved, any donations made prior to the authorization and eligible under the adopted policy will receive MJF credit.

Historically, the Lions of Japan have been the first to respond following a disaster but now they need our help.

Please forward designated donations from Clubs/individuals for this appeal through your district to LCIF Officers Ron Kenworthy & Geoff Trevena. All cheques to be made payable to "LCI MD 105 Appeal Fund" On the back of the cheque please put your club name and number and the "Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Appeal".

For regular updates on this disaster, please see visit the LCIF website at www.lionsclubs.org/EN/lci-foundation/disaster-relief

Best regards,

Geoff Leeder

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