



Lions Clubs International

Diabetes: Our global cause, and vision for the future

Who Are Lions and Leos?



We Serve

- Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world with more than 1.4 million members in more than 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries worldwide.
- Founded in 1917, Lions are best known for work in the area of vision, but have provided service in countless other areas.
- In 2017, Lions Clubs International celebrated their 100th anniversary and have launched a new global service focus for our next century of service!

Our Global Causes

Enhance service impact and focus contributing to the LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2020/21

Diabetes



Environment



Hunger



Vision



**Childhood
Cancer**



Serving Youth



**Leveraging Youth as
Partners**



27 PILOT PROJECTS





Diabetes Cause

Vision

Reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve the quality of life for those diagnosed.

Goals

1. Educate ourselves and our communities about diabetes
2. Promote and provide programs and activities for prevention, control and management
3. Increase access to affordable, high quality and effective diabetes care, medication and diagnostic equipment
4. Increase coordination and support in the implementation and/or creation of national diabetes policies and plans

Programs

Lions Healthy Lifestyles

Strides

Lions Diabetes Support Network

Support Groups

Lions Continuum of Diabetes Care

Screening Activities

Projects

Physical Activity Promotion

Camp Activities

Infrastructure Development

Recreation Facilities

Sensitization Activities

Capacity Building

Lions, Leos and Diabetes Camps

- Diabetes Camps are integral to the Lions Diabetes Support Network Program
- Numerous clubs are currently working in multiple facets of diabetes camps
 - Adding enhancement activities to existing camps
 - Providing support opportunities to increase impact
 - Creating camps from scratch



Pilot project in
Wrightwood, CA.

Lions, Leos and Diabetes Camps: California

- Initial camp launched solely by Lions members
- Combined type 1 and 2, with a goal to expand to prediabetes
- Connecting with families to help educate Lions members in the area



Lions, Leos and Diabetes Camps: Romania

- Camp held for type 1 children
- Participants invited to take part in a support group
- Additional opportunities for parents to become involved within the support group
- Creating a “Continuous Cycle of Support”



Lions, Leos and Diabetes Camps: Burkina Faso

- Used a highly publicized screening activity to build awareness
- Hosted 3 day retreat for young adults
- Emphasized real-world solutions and building community



Lions, Leos and Diabetes Camps: Brazil



- Enhancement and expansion of an existing camp
- Worked in parallel with local universities
- Continuing project by hosting “Family Gatherings” and workshops for educators around healthy meals



Areas of Collaboration

- Increase education and awareness of diabetes camps to Lions and Leos
- Identify where there is need for camps or increased capacity
- Determine the best methods to enhance support before, during, or after camps
- Emphasizing resources, best practices and standards from DECA at existing camps
- Cross-education to expand the quality of other camps to help give even more children memorable experiences



Thank You