



LCIF 105 SC District Coordinator – Lion Ann Huntley MJF

To say the last year has been different is a bit of an understatement. It has been challenging, frightening, emotional and inspiring for us all. Through all the difficulties we have all experienced Lions Club International Foundation has continued to support Lions and their communities around the world and here at home.

In the first wave of the pandemic many Lions called on LCIF for help with service they wanted to provide in their communities. LCIF responded with a pandemic emergency grant programme and by its close over \$4 million had been distributed in the form of 292 grants. Our own Multidistrict applied for and received a grant for £16,000 to be shared between the air ambulance services up and down the land. LCIF was able and continues to be able to respond to life changing events because of the support by clubs donating to the Foundation. There are now 56 clubs in 105SC, of these 37 donate to LCIF which is 66.7%. Thank you if your club has donated to LCIF during these difficult times that has made fundraising almost impossible, it is appreciated.

I am always pleased when a club approaches me for help with applying for a Melvin Jones Fellowship for one of their members. Many congratulations if you have been honoured with a MJF during the past year.

Campaign 100 has been extended by at least a year owing to the pandemic. The goal is still to raise £300 million and we are getting there. Three clubs in our district are listed on LCI as Model Clubs.

Throughout the past year I have taken part in remotely run training sessions from Oakbrook for LCIF district officers, and I have also, and continue to listen to the Foundation Friday sessions which are organised, usually once a month. I have also taken part in zoom meetings with my fellow district officers. I continue to contribute to the monthly newsletter in which I try to give members a varied view

of the work carried out by Lions members worldwide, that has been possible due to the support of the Foundation.

As always if any member has any query regarding Lions Club International Foundation, Campaign 100 & Model Clubs, please feel free to get in touch.

On behalf of the Foundation, the communities your donations have helped to support, thank you and please continue to donate as there will always be a need.

Where there is a need, there is a Lion. We need to continue to support LCIF so we can ensure that in times of need, this remains true.

Thank you.