



Disaster Relief

25.3 million people are displaced each year by disasters¹

THERE IN THE FACE OF ADVERSITY



We see the effects of devastation every day. Sometimes, we live them. Such was the case for those in the path of New Zealand's Kaikoura earthquake, which announced itself shortly

after midnight, disturbing far more than simply the night's sleep. By the time the 7.8 magnitude quake had spent its energy, it had created a 160km rupture that shredded State Highway 1, swallowed homes, triggered tsunami warnings, dislodged railways, induced massive landslides, stole lives.

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It was two minutes of sheer terror for the South Island. It was also the exact type of call Lions answer in the face of adversity. With a US\$10,000 Emergency grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions mobilized immediate relief for those whose lives had quite literally been rattled and lay in ruins.

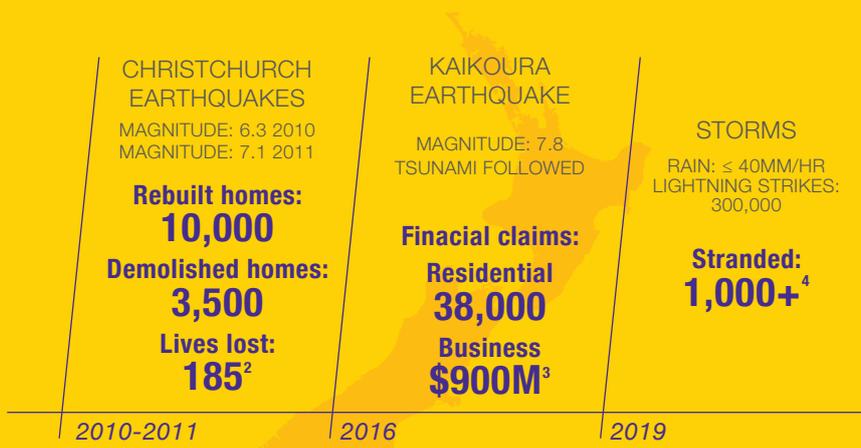
"People felt lost, powerless, and hopeless," said Past District Governor Leo Danz, who knows Lions are so often among the first to arrive with food, water, and other life-sustaining needs. "When devastation hits elsewhere, we feel empathy. When it hits home, we feel grateful for Lions' and LCIF's help in restoring dignity to everyday life."



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Disaster Strikes at Home



THAT'S NEW ZEALAND. GLOBALLY, NATURAL DISASTER LOOKS LIKE THIS:



LCIF AND LIONS

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Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

The past 50 years have seen a **390% increase in natural disasters globally⁸**. LCIF and Lions have been there. To date, LCIF has awarded US\$134 million for disaster relief worldwide through:



SOURCES/NOTE: ^{1,5,6,7}United Nations; ^{2,3}Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience; ⁴The Guardian; ⁸International Disaster Database; ⁹awarded at discretion of Lions international president and LCIF chairperson; grant limits subject to change



LCIF is the grant-making body empowering Lions to create greater impact in their communities and around the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions; one hundred percent of every donation supports Lions service through LCIF grants and programs.

Disaster relief is just one cause area supported by LCIF and Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service. With financial support from Lions and clubs worldwide, Campaign 100 is empowering Lions to increase service impact in vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts; fight the global epidemic of diabetes; and make important progress in expanded cause areas of childhood cancer, hunger, and the environment.

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