



Environment

Half the world will soon live in water-stressed areas¹

FIGHTING FOR THE TREES



Deforestation, a rapidly growing problem, takes the homes from wildlife and affects entire ecosystems, weather patterns, air quality, and the climate. Forests are the habitat for 80 percent

of land animals; each year, we lose more trees, and more animal species go extinct.

Desiring to make a difference in their community, Lions in Korea adopted the environment cause area and are tackling this critical issue. In

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one urban area, local citizens were in need of a more open space to enjoy the fresh mountain air. Then, local Lions planted a thousand trees with support of a District and Club Community Impact grant of more than US\$34,000 from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

Lions planted cypress and camellia trees, both fast-growing species that will quickly grow into a forest. Fresh oxygen, improved air quality, shade, and tranquility are just some benefits the trees will offer local residents.

The Lions Forest has added tremendous value to the community, members of which now go there to hike or simply enjoy nature.



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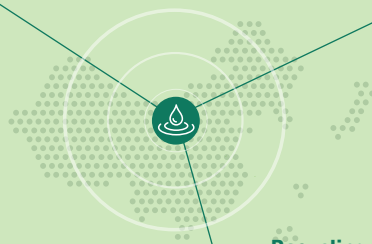


A Challenging Environment

Vital to good health, socioeconomic progress, and community welfare, water poses challenges in this part of the world, as do climate change, pollution and deforestation. Environmental stewardship is vital.

China's Water Challenges

- 28,000+ rivers and waterways dried in last 25 years
- 70% of water table unfit for humans due to pesticides, fertilizers²



Climate Change in Korea

- World's 7th-largest greenhouse gas emitter
Annual greenhouse emissions reached record high in 2017
- Summer 10 days longer 2009-2018 than 1981-2010³

Recycling Needed

50%+ of ocean plastic pollution comes from China, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia
Philippines residents can recycle plastic in return for rice⁴

THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, IMPACTS LOOK LIKE THIS:

6,000 children die of water-related diseases every day⁵

500 million people+ live in areas affected by erosion linked to climate change⁶

~7 million lives lost annually from air pollution⁷

LCIF AND LIONS

Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Protecting our environment protects our children, families, and communities. LCIF, funding Lions' global humanitarian work since 1968, is there and part of the solution.

MATCHING GRANTS
fund construction and equipment costs

US\$10,000 -
US\$100,000

DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS
apply to district and club projects

GRANT
AMOUNT VARIES

LEO SERVICE GRANTS
fund Leo projects

US\$1,500 -
US\$5,000

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SOURCES/NOTE: ¹World Health Organization; ²The Borgen Project; ³The Korea Herald; ⁴World Economic Forum; ⁵UNICEF; ⁶United Nations; grant limits subject to change



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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.

The environment 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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