

## **Operation KidSight** is gearing up to have an important impact on the lives of the children in our communities and the Health Services Board needs your help.

On July 9th, 2014, Lions Clubs International Foundation sent a letter to NH Multiple District 44 advising approval of their Grant Request submitted two months prior. The grant will **match all funds raised** by the Multiple Districts 44 up to \$53,392. The monies raised *and* matched will total **\$106,784**.

Once raised, this money will be used to purchase 15 Spot Vision Screeners for use in vision screening of children all across the state of New Hampshire.

The goal of the Health Service Board is the screening of approx. **100,000 children** in NH. The primary group of children to be screened will be from 6 months old to 6th grade (approx. 10 yrs old).

To accomplish this statewide program, the HSB needs your passion and commitment for helping children and their vision.

The following steps will help Operation KidSight be a success:

- Each Lions Club should **designate an OKS Coordinator** as soon as possible.
- Help **raise money** to fund the grant from LCIF. Each district will contribute to the fundraising process.
- Expand or establish a Spot Vision Screening program in and around your community.
  - **Additional information** is available to support your clubs as you expand or establish your vision screening programs in and around your community.

Update on funds to be raised and the current status of funds raised:

INCOME	
Sources	Amount
15 SPOT Vision Screeners	
Breakdown:	
LYS of New Hampshire	\$7,500
Dr. Corbit	\$1,000
LSHF of NH, Inc	\$4,635
District 44N	\$24,154
District 44H	\$16,103
LCIF grant	\$53,392
TOTAL:	\$106,784

EXPENSE	
Sources	Amount
2 Spot vision screeners & cases – LYS for HSB	\$14,238
8 Spot vision screeners & cases - 44N @ \$7,119 ea.	\$56,951
5 Spot vision screeners & cases - 44H @ \$7,119 ea.	\$35,595
TOTAL:	\$106,784

District 44N will need to raise approx. \$24,150 toward 8 vison screeners for the Multiple District 44. District 44H will need to raise approx. \$16,100 toward 5 vison screeners for the Multiple District 44.

Monies Raised thus far:

Raised Pledged
LYS of NH
LSHF \$4,635
Dr. Corbit \$1,000

District 44N \$13,400 \$6,000 \$44N Total = \$19,400 or 80% to goal (\$4,754 to go)
District 44H \$\frac{44H}{2}\$ \$\frac{4400}{2}\$ \$\frac{4400}{2}\$ \$\frac{44}{2}\$ \$\frac{44}{2}\$

\$19,035 \$17,500 Total: \$36,535

- ♦ All donations to Operation KidSight should be sent to Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation with a note in the memo section designating the funds for "Operation KidSight or OKS".
- ◆ All monies have to be raised and verified by LCIF, before LCIF will release the matching grant funds.
- → All monies must be raised within the next six months (by the end of December, 2014) or the grant approval will be withdrawn.

This Lions program will continue to build the position of Lions as the preeminent community organization within the sate of New Hampshire.

Join the growing list of Lions and Clubs contributing their time and money in support of Operation KidSight.

Contact Program Coordinator:: FVDG Scott Wilson, by email at: scottwils@comcast.net by phone at: 603 770-3700 Contact HSB for additional information.

## **NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION**

This newsletter is E-Mailed via Constant Contact to all District 44-H members who have e-mail addresses on file with LCI. Presidents and secretaries, please coordinate and make a copy available to members that to not have E-Mail. All E-Mail changes must be made on the LCI website by your club secretary. If you have opted out of receiving the fellowship in the past, you also opted out of the district newsletter because we shared the same contact list. This issue has been resolved. To receive the newsletter again, you must obtain a copy of the newsletter E-Mail and click on the **join our mailing list** link.

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

Deadline for submitting articles to be published in the newsletter is the **20th of each month**. To keep the size of the newsletter reasonable, most event articles will be reduced to 1/4 page.

Clubs and district committees with multiple articles for the same newsletter should consolidate the articles into one submission that does not to exceed one page.

Newsletter submission should be sent to PDG Wayne Auger - Email: lionwayno@comcast.net