



District Governor's Message

District Governor Prakash Gautam
Plano Collin Nepalese Lions Club

Greetings fellow Lions!

I am honored and proud to have the opportunity to lead our vibrant District in Lions Year 2023-2024. My sincere THANKS to each and every Lions who have supported, guided, and placed their faith in me. With more than 1,700 members, Lions District 2-X1 is a strong and much needed association for the benefit of the community and for people in need. With the efficient and effective leadership of District Governor Fred Conger, our District has achieved several of the goals that include service goals and LCIF contribution goals in the year 2022-2023. Overall, our District performed well in 2022-2023 and my congratulations to IPDG Fred Conger and his entire team members. I had a fantastic opportunity of learning, working as Vice Governor for IPDG Fred Conger and PDG Esmeralda Rodriguez, for the past two years. It was wonderful serving the community under your leadership, Governors!

Change is a continuing process and I believe in change for improvement. In this context, Zone Chairs and Region Chairs are empowered with added authority and responsibilities to further support our Clubs in the year 2023-2024. This year our District will primarily focus on membership growth and LCIF contributions. Here are some of the major goals for the year 2023-2024:

- Charter at least two new Clubs.
- Increase Lion members by at least 50 members.
- Increase individual participations to LCIF donation by twenty-five percent and Club participation by ten percent.
- Exceed eighty percent (49 Clubs) of Club reporting in Lions Portal.
- Serve at least 190,000 people.
- Ensure ninety percent of the Zone Chairs and 55 percent of the club officers are trained.

I am positive and overly optimistic that with the help of our resolute Lions, District Cabinet Team, Governor's Advisory Team, and most importantly Club Leadership Team, we will be able to achieve all the goals. Let us work together and meet or exceed our expectations!

Along with other District goals, membership growth is the most important goal of our District in

Lions Year 2023-2024, which is also the principal goal of the MD-2. Therefore, I ask all the Clubs to focus on adding new members and prevent dropouts. I ask all the Zone Chairs to closely monitor the membership status of the Clubs in their Zones, on a regular basis, and to coordinate with the Club President and Membership Chair for any needed action to improve the memberships. In case of any decrease in membership (negative membership growth), the Zone Chairs and/or Region Chairs are advised to report it to the District Global Action team (GAT) and seek their support on a regular basis.

In Lions year 2022-2023, our District received three times more, from the LCIF, than what we had donated to the LCIF. This is a great motivating factor; let us continue donating, individually and at club level, to the LCIF. You can donate any amount by visiting the link:
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>

In Lions year 2022-2023, our District's goal was to serve 185,000 people. However, 61 Clubs in the District served over 300,000 people - well above the target. Kudos to all Servicing Clubs, District Service Chairperson, and of course District Governor Fred Conger and his team! Lions, please continue servicing the people in need; I am positive that we can set another record this year. All Clubs, please report your service activities on a timely basis. The District Team is always there if you need any help – just contact us!

Finally, I am overly excited to collaborate with you all; let us work together and make a successful Lions Year 2023-2024.

Best Regards,
Lion Prakash Gautam