

“BUILD BEDS FOR KIDS”

A DISTRICT 2-X1 PROJECT

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Another WOW Day in service occurred on September 9, 2023, the second “Build Day” for our District. (Our first “Build Day” was on February 8, 2023, when we built and delivered 175 beds to our Texas Lions Camp with our partners SHP and LCIF for an in-kind contribution of \$46,551).

At our more recent “Build Day,” we built another 175 beds for children in the Dallas/Ft Worth Area that have no beds to sleep in. These beds will be delivered by our partner Sleep in Heavenly Peace and this time will include participation geographically by Lions Clubs in the delivery area in the delivery of the beds with SHP. Lions get to witness and feel the joy of delivering a bed to a child with no bed. This September 9 was our second “Build Day.” We had 272 total volunteers at this build: nine from SHP, 35 Leos, and 228 Lions and some guests of Lions (potential members). We had raised an additional \$43,750 from mostly Lions and other donors by the end of January in preparations for this build.

We raised a total of \$93,435 to build the beds at the two events, including a matching grant from LCIF of \$21,750 and we raised most of it in about 3 months last year. We are already underway in solicitation of donations for our next “Build Day” scheduled to be on March 16, 2024. We will build seventy-five beds then, which includes twenty-five additional beds for Texas Lions Camp. Our budget for these beds will be \$18,750. Donations are being accepted in the amount of \$250 for a bed, including the pillow, bedding, and spring mattress. We need all the Lions to help. These are quality beds that can last up to 40 years. Please send your donations to the Waxahachie Lions Club Foundation, P. O. Box 581, Waxahachie, TX 75168-0581. Will you help by donating?

“Dos Amigos,” PCC John Eads and PCC John Landrum, Co-Chairs of the District 2-X1 “Build Beds for Kids” Project want to thank all the Lions and other donors and all volunteers that participated in helping us build 350 beds for kids. One of our objectives with this project was to offer to our Lions a project they could do service for others – together. “We Serve Better Together.” And it was a resounding success in each “Build.” Thank you, Lions!! See you on March 16, 2024.