“What’s for dinner?” “I’m starving.” “There’s nothing here to eat.” They’re common phrases often uttered without thinking. The fact is, for many, “What’s for dinner” implies a choice of nutritious food. “I’m starving” translates to “I haven’t eaten in a few hours.” And while we may not have all ingredients to make tonight’s meal, our refrigerators and pantries are, by all accounts, well-stocked. Those are the good facts.

For some, these are the harsh realities: “What’s for dinner?” really means “Will there be any dinner?” And “I’m starving” means exactly that. Someone is starving.

Chronic hunger and undernutrition affect many in Australia, impacting children’s ability to focus in school; workers’ productivity and contributions to economic growth; and senior citizens’ fight of infection, due to weakened immune systems.

Now, with Hunger grants from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions can be an even greater part of the solution. “Hunger is pervasive worldwide,” said Eveline Chandra, past council chair in Indonesia. “LCIF’s Hunger grants will support school-based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centres, and similar facilities. We’re helping communities become stronger and healthier.”
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.

Hunger 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.