“Your child has cancer.” No parent is ever prepared to hear these four gut-wrenching words. Yet each year, an estimated 300,000 children worldwide are dealt a devastating cancer diagnosis. The emotional, physical, and financial tolls families suffer begin the moment those words are uttered. Lives shattered in the span of a sentence.

While advances in treatment have saved many children, those currently battling cancer – and those who will one day be diagnosed – need help and hope, causing Lions to open their hearts even wider and adopt childhood cancer as a signature cause area. Supporting their efforts is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), which offers Childhood Cancer grants of US$10,000 to US$150,000.

“Our foundation’s Childhood Cancer grants provide the unprecedented opportunity to strengthen medical and social services to help children fighting cancer and to enhance the quality of life for them and their families,” said Vice President Patti Hill. “I encourage utilizing our LCIF’s Childhood Cancer grants. With our foundation’s support, we can spur even more progress and ease the burden for so many.”
A Story of Devastation and Dreams

No child deserves cancer. Yet lymphomas, leukemias, and other forms of the disease common in children are the stark reality for many Canadian youth – and their families. There is both heartache and hope.

#1 Cancer is Canada’s leading cause of disease-related death in children.

Most common cancers, 0-14-year-olds

- Central nervous system cancers: 18%
- Leukemia: 35%
- Lymphoma: 13%

400 km
Average distance to cancer treatment
Greater distance = lesser quality of life

~83%
5-year childhood cancer survival rate

THAT’S CANADA. GLOBALLY, CHILDHOOD CANCER LOOKS LIKE THIS:

57% of childhood cancer cases go undiagnosed in parts of the world.

CHILDHOOD CANCER SURVIVAL RATES

≥80% developed countries
<20% lesser developed countries

Cancer is a leading cause of death for children.


LCIF AND LIONS
Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Global occurrence of childhood cancer is greater than previously thought. LCIF, funding global humanitarian work since 1968, is there and part of the solution.

lcif.org/childhoodcancer

CHILDHOOD CANCER GRANTS support projects easing familial burden

US$10,000 - US$150,000

MATCHING GRANTS fund construction and equipment costs

US$10,000 - US$100,000

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

GRANT AMOUNT VARIES