

Every 2 minutes, a child is diagnosed with cancer¹

SAVING CHILDREN IN AUSTRALIA



The moment you learn your child has cancer is, quite literally, breathtaking. It's also the moment the word cancer becomes central to everyday life for families of almost 800 Australian children each year².

While advances in cancer treatment have saved many of these children, they haven't been able to save all. To give kids a better chance at living long and healthy lives, Lions Clubs International Foundation and the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation have committed US\$3.2 million for genome sequencing. Funds will enable Garvan Institute of Medical Research to sequence the unique genomes of 400 hundred children with aggressive forms of cancer and help doctors create precision treatment plans.

"More children like Ava will survive cancer thanks to LCIF."

Ava Bell, a young cancer survivor, bravely shared her story at Lions International Convention, thanking LCIF and Lions for their support. Said Past International President Barry Palmer, who joined her, "More children like Ava will survive cancer and enjoy childhood, thanks to LCIF. We're grateful to our foundation for its support in saving our children's lives."



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Childhood
Cancer



A Story of Devastation and Dreams

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

35%

Rise in childhood cancers in Australia
1983-2014³

~1/2

of children diagnosed
with cancer were ≤ 4 ⁵

5-year

survival rate 2003-2012
= 84%⁶

Most common childhood cancers

- Leukaemias 33%
- Central nervous system tumours 25%
- Lymphomas 10%⁴

90%

Cure rate
of Burkitt lymphoma in
high-income countries⁷



THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, CHILDHOOD CANCER LOOKS LIKE THIS:



57% of childhood cancer cases go undiagnosed in parts of the world⁸

**CHILDHOOD
CANCER
SURVIVAL
RATES**

$\geq 80\%$
developed
countries

$\leq 20\%$
lesser
developed
countries⁹



Cancer is a leading cause of death for children
300,000 new cases annually
in 0-19-year-olds¹⁰

LCIF AND LIONS

Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Global occurrence of childhood cancer is greater than previously thought¹¹. LCIF, funding global humanitarian work since 1968, is there and part of the solution.

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**

lcif.org/childhoodcancer

SOURCES/NOTE: ¹St. Baldrick's Foundation; ^{2,3,4,5,6}Cancer Council; ⁷Cancer Atlas; ⁸The Lancet; ⁹United Nations; ¹⁰World Health Organization; ¹¹American Childhood Cancer Organization; grant limits subject to change



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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.

Childhood cancer 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.

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