

Dear River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club Grant Applicant,

We are so proud of the work that you do in our community and so very pleased that the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club has been able to assist you in carrying out your valuable work.

As our Lions Club moves forward, there are some aspects of our charitable grant process we will be changing beginning with this year's end of year report. The charitable support our Lions Charities provided to all of you in the past year totaled more than \$200,000. This is a record amount of giving by our Club in support of the work you all do and, as a result. we want to add several items to our process of consideration.

## 1. Intent

We need to have expanded accountability for the use of our funds. When you apply for funding, we want you to tell us what you intend to do with that resource.

## 2. Results

After you receive funding, we want you to tell us in specific terms what actually happened as a result of the grant. For example, program "A" requested \$5,000 to help feed 20 families each week for one year. Did this happen, what was the final outcome of your effort. We want to promote your efforts to our members and the community.

### 3. Services

We would also like for you to tell us what part of our grant was used for "administrative/indirect services" as opposed to "direct/client" services. For example, 5% was allocated to administrative/indirect services and 95% went to clients.

# 4. Club Promotion

The RH/LW Lions would like to be promoted as one of your benefactors. Please tell us how you did or will do this.

# 5. Club Participation

Our Club has many members who may be available to assist you from time to time. If you have an event that needs a few hands, please contact us at (772) 519-6129.

Because we have updated our process, we are a bit late in reaching out to you this year, so **we need your application by January 31st.** A format for the end of year report will be sent to you in the spring as well as a new form for you to request future funding. **End of year reports are due no later than June 1st each year**. A late report may jeopardize future funding so please meet this deadline.

You can email your application to <u>RHLWLionscharities@gmail.com</u> or mail it to the address below. We look forward to working with you in this competitive grant process and wish each of you continued great success. And we proudly point to our promise to you: River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club.... Do More Good Now!

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