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Dear Lion President,

## **Re: Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**

I am writing to you again in connection with the refugee crisis. The position is worsening in many parts of Europe and I am reproducing an extract from a recent email I received issued by the Chairman of our Foundation, Past International President Joe Preston.

Dear Fellow Lions,

An international refugee crisis is currently unfolding. Due to recent conflicts in the Middle East and other areas, millions have been displaced from their homes and are seeking safety and new opportunities in other countries, or suffering internal displacement at home. Many of these refugees are traveling with very little and need immediate assistance in acquiring food, shelter, warm clothing and other necessary items. As Lions, we cannot ignore this need.

Many of you live in countries affected by this crisis and have seen the need up close. Refugees may be traveling through your country or integrating into your community. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is currently collecting donations through our Disaster Relief Fund to assist those affected by this crisis. These funds will go toward grants to Lions clubs and districts that are working to support the immediate needs of refugees. If funding allows, longer-term, large-scale projects may also be considered.

I encourage you and your club to consider making a donation to these efforts. The need is vast, but together, we can provide help and hope to those who are suffering.

Sincerely,

Joe Preston Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

If your Club has already donated I would like to thank you on behalf of our Foundation. If your Club has not been able to make a donation as yet I do hope you will consider making one. Cheques should be made payable to LCI District 105D and endorsed on the back LCIF Refugee appeal before sending to the District Treasurer. Payments can also be made to the District Treasurer electronically.

Whilst writing, if you have any queries regarding Melvin Jones Fellowships or any other aspect of LCIF, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards.

Lion Patrick Hamblin.

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