



LOUIS VOLKS HUMANITARIAN AWARD APPLICATION

As per the Constitution of Lions Multiple District 410, proceeds from this Humanitarian Award application will benefit the Lions MD 410 Disaster Relief Fund only.

The fee payable is R2,000.00 per award, with proceeds allocated as follows:

- District cost of medal/pin and certificate, etc. R600.00
- Lions MD 410 Disaster Relief Fund R1,400.00
- Proof of full payment of the application fee must be submitted with this form
- Courier fees will be invoiced and due on confirmation of delivery address

BANKING DETAILS

Lions Clubs Int. District 410W Projects Account
FNB, Code 250655, Acc No 5026 3054 899
EFT Reference: Louis Volks + Club Name

CLUB APPLYING FOR AWARD DETAILS

Club Applying for the Award:			
Club Contact Person:		Cell No:	
Contact Person's Email:			

RECIPIENT OF THE AWARD'S DETAILS

Full Name of Recipient:			
Award Requested:	Louis Volks Humanitarian Award		Progressive Louis Volks Humanitarian Award
Is recipient a Lions Member?	No	Yes	If yes, their Home Club:
Recipient's Cell No:			Recipient's Home Tel No:
Recipient's Email Address:			
Proposed Date of Presentation:		Function:	
Personalisation required on the certificate			

BIOGRAPHY OF DR. LOUIS VOLKS

Lions Clubs International was founded in 1917 in Chicago, USA, by Melvin Jones. Dr. Louis Volks, introduced Lions Clubs International to South Africa in October 1957, by chartering the first Lions Club in the country, the Lions Club of Cape Town, thereby becoming one of the founders of Lions Clubs International of Southern Africa.

Dr. Volks' vision, passion and compassion impacted the sub-continent tremendously, ultimately culminating in the chartering of many more Lions Clubs throughout Southern Africa, Namibia and Swaziland. Currently there are over 147 Clubs in Multiple District 410 with more than 2,200 members continuously serving their communities, touching the lives of hundreds of thousands of people!

Born in 1909 in the Paarl Valley, Western Cape, Dr Louis Volks was educated at Worcester High School and then attended the University of Cape Town. After graduating, he managed the family business in Worcester and later moved to Cape Town and joined the insurance industry.

In 1969, Dr Volks received the Ambassador of Goodwill Award (the Lions Clubs International's highest honour) and was the recipient of three International President's Leadership medals. His home club, Cape Town, presented him with Life Membership and a Melvin Jones Fellowship award.

In 1989, his home District, 410A, further honoured him with the creation of the Louis Volks Humanitarian Award for presentation to those who perform exceptional community service. In 2002 a lapel pin was introduced together with a redesigned medal, showcasing its true Southern African heritage.

In 2019, the award was elevated to a Multiple District 410 Award and became the Multiple District's highest recognition honouring both members and other individuals who have excelled in community service. The proceeds of the award application fee benefits the Multiple District 410 Disaster Relief Fund, part of an international project enabling trained Lions to appropriately respond to local, national and international disaster relief action in South Africa, Namibia, Swaziland, Lesotho and beyond in times of disaster. (Preparedness - Response - Relief)

Dr Louis Volks passed away in 1992. He was known to say, "I do believe that people should become involved in organisations of service. They are the measure of one's attention to one's fellow man." A fitting personal motto and fine example of the heart of Lionism, from a true Lion!