

MD410 LOUIS VOLKS DISASTER RELIEF FUND CRITERIA & APPLICATION



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OBJECTIVE:

The objective of the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund is to provide immediate emergency relief assistance to victims of natural or man-made disasters. This is done via the Lions Clubs of Multiple District 410. This assistance is available for relief aid in the aftermath of earthquakes, hail storms, fires, flooding, drought caused by either natural disasters or as a consequence of man-made disasters e.g. arson.

APPLICATION AND CRITERIA REQUIREMENTS:

Relief funds are available to Lions Clubs in amounts not to exceed R10 000 per project and is to be utilised for the distribution of immediate relief aid to victims of serious natural disasters where 50 or more people have been displaced or affected. The respective Lions Club within MD410 must submit the application request for funds, providing specific details including a needs analysis regarding the damages sustained and specifying what said funds will be utilised for. The Club Presidents and Club Alert Co-ordinator should both sign said application. The District Governor of the specific District under which the requesting Lions Club falls would need to sign (either physically or electronically). The application and forward to the Council Chairperson and Council Treasurer of Multiple District 410 for final approval. Applications can be submitted via email.

The Council Chairperson of Multiple District 410 in conjunction with the Council Treasurer of Multiple District 410 has final approval authority for the release of funds up to a maximum of R10 000 per application. These funds are to be utilised in providing immediate needs including the purchase of food, bottled water, clothing, blankets, medicine, etc.

The funds may not be utilised for non-immediate needs such as providing shelter, rebuilding damaged facilities and homes. For this purpose an LCIF Emergency Grant Application would need to be done.

APPLICATION CRITERIA:

1. Applications will be considered for situations evidenced by an urgent need for water, food, clothing, medical supplies, blankets, etc. The District Governor of the respective District will ensure that the project / relief effort is overseen that the relevant Lions Club leads the distribution of all goods provided from the funds provided by the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund.
2. A Lions Club who receives funds from the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund is obligated, within 30 days to supply a full report with supporting documentation (cash slips, photographs, etc.) to the District Governor of the respective District, Council Chairperson and Council Treasurer of Multiple District 410.
3. Funds from the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund shall not be given or used to provide direct cash assistance to disaster victims.

DISASTER DETAILS:

The respective Lions Club should answer the following questions in detail. It is important that as much information as possible is provided about the damages sustained. A delay in providing this information will delay processing and release of the funds from the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund by the Council Treasurer of MD410.

1. When and where did the disaster occur? (Specify municipal area).
2. What is the extent of the damage, deaths and injuries? How many homes and families were affected?
3. What current relief efforts are underway by the community, relief agencies and Lions?
4. What is the Lions Club's plan of action to purchase and distribute immediate relief aid such as food, clothing, blankets, bottled water, medical supplies and similar items?

When all information is received by the Council Chairperson undersigned by the respective District Governor and if it meets the Criteria, the request will be sent to the Council Treasurer for payment into the respective Lions Clubs Projects Account.



CERTIFICATION BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR:

This is to certify that I have reviewed the MD410 Louis Volks Disaster Relief Fund application and endorse the need for funds and will ensure that proper and efficient administration of the relief funds to purchase and distribute only food, clothing, blankets, bottled water, cleaning supplies, medical supplies and similar items via the Lions Club of _____

District _____ Nature of Disaster _____

Date Disaster Occurred _____ Date of Request _____

District Governor Signature _____

Telephone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

CERTIFICATION BY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON:

Council Chairperson Signature _____

Telephone Number _____

E-mail Address _____