

2018 Fall Annual Convention Council of Governors' Committee Report

Northwest Lions Foundation
Bill Lundin - Board of Trustees - Chairman

It is with great pleasure, that I present some great news on the growth of SightLife and the Northwest Lions Foundation for 2018.

SightLife continues to not only serve the Pacific Northwest with outstanding service, but has reached incredible projected growth of over 12,000 corneal transplants. In addition, we will provide over 20,000 corneal transplants to needy people in our global program.

In 1925 Helen Keller challenged Lions "To be knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness". SightLife's Global program is now achieving that goal in India, Nepal, China and Mexico. In all cases, we are often working with Lion Leaders in those local communities. These include educational, treatment and prevention programs.

The Northwest Lions Foundation Board of Trustees continues to work on expanding our Health Screening Programs. Our mini- screening program has expanded to four units, in addition to our large screening unit. We now have just over 100 Lion members trained to provide screening services. By years end, we will have screened over 35,000 children and provided hundreds of high quality digital hearing aids, in collaboration with many of clubs across the State. Finally, we distributed over \$120,000 in project support grants to ten agencies throughout the State of Washington.

We are very pleased to be working with our Canadian Lions in District I, with a major emphasis on Diabetes Awareness.

In closing, The Board of Trustees of the Northwest Lions Foundation would like to thank all the Lions and Lions Clubs in MD-19 for their continued support of White Cane Days. Thank you for your support as we continue to review and improve our services to your clubs and communities.