

Lions' support in Papua New Guinea

201Q2 District Convention - Cairns

November 2022



PNG - Beautiful land, colourful people, living a simple existence- of craft and culture



Social Development

- Rural isolation
- Slum housing
- Unemployment
- Law & order
- Poverty
- Water/ sanitation/tropical disease
- Poor health indicators across all ranges





Lions presence in PNG



- Lions first into PNG 1962
- Currently four Lions Clubs & one Lioness Lions Club
- There exist expansion opportunities
- PNG Lions are enthusiastic, but struggle with little resource & overwhelming need
- MOU with the Lions MD: National PNG Development Committee – Q2 x 3 members , National x 3 members + chair

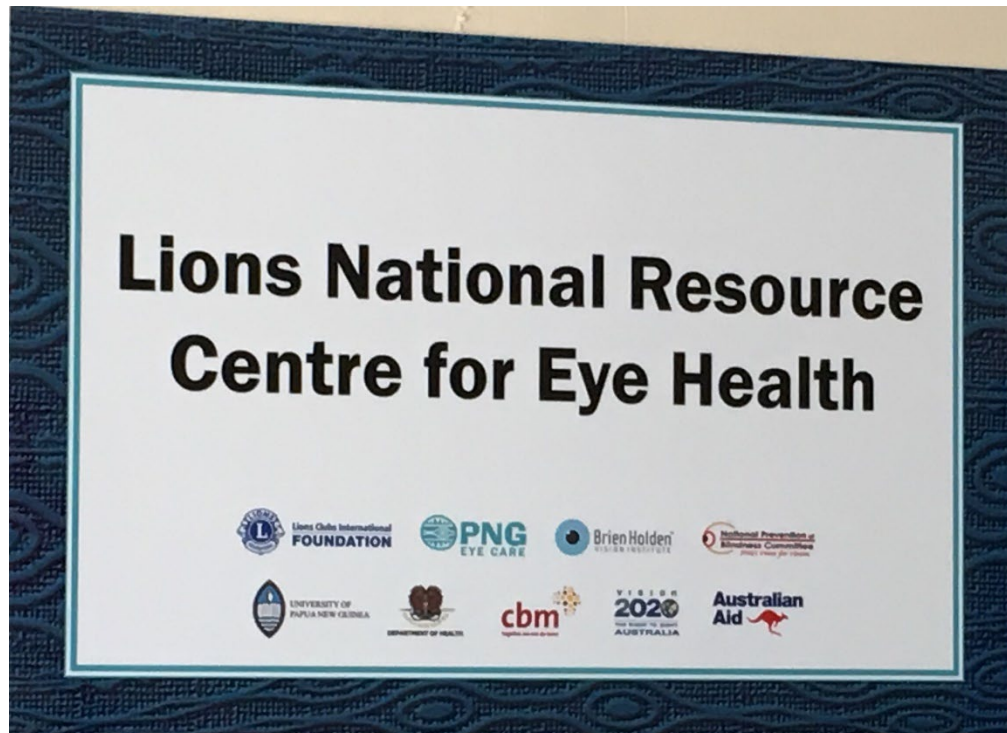
Lions National Resource Centre for Eye Health in Port Moresby



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= \$AUD 400,000



Expanding Eye Health - Project 2

Second Grant from LCIF “Sight First” - approx. AU\$ 850,000



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Project Deliverables

- *Expand, refurbish and re- equip the PMGH Eye Clinic – **completed***
- *Develop a Paediatric Low Vision Clinic at the **Lions NRC** – **completed***

Potential Eye Health Project 3

- Facility improvement and training at 4 provincial areas to deliver cataract surgery, covering 2.2 million people OR 25% of population
- Budget : some **AUD\$1 Million**
: **LCIF** **AUD\$600,000**
Others **AUD\$357,000**



Australian Lions now saving the lives of Birthing Mothers and their babes

- ***Five mothers die in childbirth
each day in PNG***

- Provide “Bush Huts” = about \$700 AUD



- “Baby Bundles” = about \$25 AUD



Dr Barry Kirby, Milne Bay Obstetrician, inspecting a Bush Hut & the arrival of baby bundles provided by Australian Lions



MD PNG Development Committee, with District 201Q2

Sharing the Load,
with support from across our MD



Thank you for your time

