# LIONS CLUB OF RICHMOND

**2025/26 COMMUNITY IMPACT NEWSLETTER**

## A YEAR OF SERVICE & IMPACT

President: David Firth | Draft for club review

### PRIDE AT WORK: TWO PAWS, ONE COMMUNITY

**$41,664**
Lions activities

**$40,000**
Youth grants

**$51,710**
Health & community

**$48,158**
Member nominations

### THE RIGHT PAW | DONATIONS

- Lions foundations and activities: $41,664. This included support for three new Lions clubs ($9,000), the Adelaide National Convention ($10,000) and Need for Feed ($20,000).
- Richmond Youth Engagement Small Grants: $40,000, supporting approximately 1,000 local young people.
- Health and community: $51,710, including Mary Potter Foundation ($10,000), DR Congo ($20,000), Riding for the Disabled ($5,000), Novita ($5,000) and I Believe ($3,000).
- Member and volunteer nominations: $48,158. More than 40 organisations received grants of $750 to $1,500.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

- Throughout 2025/26, our members and volunteers have continued to demonstrate what Lions service means: practical help, generosity and a commitment to our community.
- From financial donations and youth support to recycling and the everyday work of our Op Shop, these activities reflect the collective efforts of many dedicated people.
- Thank you to every volunteer, member, donor and supporter who has helped make this work possible. - David Firth, President (proposed wording for approval)

### ABOUT OUR YOUTH PROGRAM

The Richmond Youth Engagement Small Grants project supported approximately 1,000 young people.

### WHERE THE SUPPORT WENT

The club adopted a donations policy focused on four broad areas: Lions foundations and activities; local youth engagement; health and community; and nominations made by members and volunteers.

The four category amounts shown above total $181,532. The overall total printed on the supplied source requires confirmation before publication.

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## THE LEFT PAW IN ACTION

Recycling, donations, volunteer skills and community connections

## MORE THAN 41 TONNES RECYCLED EACH YEAR

4 tonnes e-waste | 15+ tonnes metal | 22+ tonnes paper and cardboard

### REUSE & RECYCLING

- Up to 1,000 glasses and hearing aids forwarded to Lions Recycle for Sight.
- 40 mobile phones collected and forwarded to DV Safe Phone.
- Approximately 4 tonnes of e-waste, more than 15 tonnes of metal and more than 22 tonnes of paper, cardboard and magazines recycled annually.
- Rags supplied to local Tyre Power; timber repurposed into stools, plant stands and tables.

### HELPING PEOPLE IN NEED

- Clothing, bedding, appliances, furniture and kitchen items supplied to Sister Janet Mead Adelaide Day Centre for the Homeless.
- Clothing donated to Flinders Hospital Emergency Department; clothing and shoes to West Care.
- More than a tonne of clothing, medical items, tools and other goods provided in support of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.
- Stationery donated to childcare centres.

### VOLUNTEERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

- 22 women knit woollen squares that are sewn into blankets for Sister Janet Mead Adelaide Day Centre for the Homeless.
- A volunteer makes quilts donated to Lions conventions and Catherine House.
- Towels, bedding and travel cages provided to the Animal Welfare League.

### A PLACE TO CONNECT

- The Op Shop is more than a place to shop. An increasing number of visitors use it as a friendly drop-in centre.
- Customers come to meet friends, chat with volunteers and enjoy a welcoming place to spend time.

### THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS & SUPPORTERS

Every donation, collection, recycled item and hour of service helps the Lions Club of Richmond support people locally and beyond. Together, we serve.