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Dear South Carolina Lions,

As we enter the final month of the 2014-2015 Lions' fiscal year, I wanted to personally write each of you with an update of South Carolina Lions Charitable Services and Foundation's accomplishments and financial position.

For those of you who are new members, or simply not familiar with South Carolina Lions Charitable Services (SCLCS), we are the official charity and major services organization for the Lions of South Carolina. Each of you, individually, are members of SCLCS. The Lions founded this organization in 1969 to provide eye surgeries, hearing aids and health screenings in your communities.

First, I would like to thank each of you and your Lion Clubs for the generous support you have provided to SCLCS and SCLF this year! SCLCS has experienced an overwhelmingly successful year. We have **provided to your clubs and communities over \$2,571,375.00 in services** through 11 months of this year. Last fiscal year we provided \$1,272,591.00 in services, which means we have more than doubled our services in one year. The number of health screenings alone have increased by more than 13,000.

With the joy and excitement of providing more services, comes the burden/necessity of funding them. This leads me to a critical point where I need to ask for your help. I know that many of you have already supported SCLF/SCLCS this year with your personal Sustaining Member contribution, and most Clubs have provided support through a Service Contribution. **Even with your generous gifts, we are still \$40,000 short of meeting our budget** with the month of June remaining. In order for us to continue scheduling surgeries, hearing aids and health screenings, **we need to make up this budget shortfall**. If you can personally make an additional contribution, or if your club has remaining funds in your budget from which you can make an additional contribution, it would be most appreciated.

We still have clients, in your community, awaiting Lions' services and we want very much to proceed with meeting their need. Our ability to proceed will be totally dependent on how we respond as Lions. SCLCS has always been able to count on the Lions of our great state to step forward when the need arises. This is one of those times that we hope we can count on your support!

Again, thank you for the support you have already provided! As Lions, we cannot be a success unless we work together.

Together, "We Serve"!



Gregg Turner
President & CEO