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To: LIONS of District 1-J
From: Lion Randy Endean
District 1-J Lions Alert Chairperson
Subject: Lions ALERT
Date: April 28, 2010

Greetings fellow Lions, Lion Tom Reichhold and myself (Lion Randy Endean) have spent time over this past year spreading the word about the Lions ALERT program. I am now hoping you have all heard about it. If not please, this is a summary of Lions Alert and what it can do for your club and your community.

Lions ALERT began after Hurricane Katrina, so much devastation and so many persons in need of help. We as Lions make up part of the largest service organization in the world. Currently, there are over 1.3 million Lions club members. Today, as the Alert program is growing around the world, Lions Alert team members have been involved with providing aide and support where natural disasters have occurred. Some of the most recent have been the Earthquake in Haiti, Wildfires in Australia, and Tsunami in South Asia.

A Lions Alert team could provide support to your local Fire and Police Department. A Lions Alert team could be called to help provide temporary shelter to a family or several families perhaps displaced by fire or natural disaster. A Lions Alert team can also aide your local Health Department by helping during mass inoculation drills and even in the spreading of information about proper disease prevention.

Lions Alert is about helping our communities after a disaster as well as prevention and preparation initiatives before a disaster occurs. A Lions Alert team could host a blood drive, food drive, a clothing or coat drive. Host an emergency preparedness seminar or CPR class with your local Red Cross chapter or police and fire department.

Another reason for Lions Alert is financial support. Through LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation), disaster grants are available for up to \$10,000. These funds can help meet the needs of food, water, clothing and medical supplies. Should an unfortunate large scale disaster occur, there are also major catastrophe grants, for long term construction projects, i.e. earthquake, hurricane, tsunami and possibly tornado.

As Lions when it comes to meeting a challenge, we don't back down. We are LIONS, and united can overcome any adversity. We are Lions, "We Serve" and we serve because "We Can".

To all of you who came out for the ALERT call out for helping the Salvation Army fill the 1,000,000 meals for Haiti, Thank You.

We want Lions ALERT to benefit all of District 1-J! Go to www.lionsclubs.org click on *our work*, then *disaster relief and preparedness*, then **Lions Alert**. Read more or print off the form to register a Lions Alert team in your club. Now, I ask you to form an ALERT team in your club or contact myself or Lion Tom for more information.

Yours in Lionism,
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