

2026-2027 MD13 OH2
Governor's Excellence Award

Club _____ Zone _____

This application is for the Governor's Excellence Award (GEA) and the District Humanitarian Award (DHA).

TO BE FILED before FEBRUARY 28, 2027

Additional club information may be reported below or on an additional sheet.

ADMINISTRATION (all required for GEA)

- _____ Next Year's Officers submitted to LCI prior to May 1, 2026.
- _____ Service Activities Reports submitted to LCI by the end of each month on the Lion Portal.
- _____ Monthly Membership updates reported on the Lion Portal by the last day of each month.
- _____ Compliance form submitted to District Compliance Officer by November 15, 2026.*
- _____ 990N submitted to IRS by November 15, 2026.*
- _____ Ohio Attorney General form filed by November 15, 2026.*
- _____ Unclaimed Funds (Ohio Business Gateway) report filed by November 1, 2026.
- _____ Club Incorporation update filed with Ohio Secretary of State as required.
(required every five years on Club Incorporation anniversary)

** A few clubs do not use the Lions year July 1 through June 30 as their fiscal year. In these cases the filing deadline is the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your fiscal year.
Example: your club's fiscal year is January 1 to December 31, your filing deadline is April 15th.*

MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION (any two for GEA)

- _____ Sponsored a **NEW** Lions or Leo Club.
- _____ Conducted a membership project using *Just Ask!*, the Ohio Plan, the Lion Recruitment Passport or similar plan.
- _____ Invited prospective new members to a meeting.
- _____ Added new members.
- _____ Completed the ***Club Quality Initiative*** or similar program

ATTENDANCE (required for GEA)

- _____ Attended 2024 Officer Training School with at least **2** club representatives
_____ President, _____ 1st Vice, _____ Secretary, _____ Treasurer, _____ Membership Chair ,
_____ Tail Twister, _____ other: _____
- _____ **Attended Zone Meeting 1** (Pres. and Sec. must attend two meetings each for GEA).
_____ President and _____ Secretary
Other members attending: _____
- _____ **Attended Zone Meeting 2** (Pres. and Sec. must attend two meetings each for GEA).
_____ President and _____ Secretary
Other members attending: _____
- _____ **Attended Zone Meeting 3** (Pres. and Sec. must attend two meetings each for GEA).
_____ President and _____ Secretary
Other members attending: _____

REPRESENTATION IN 2026-2027 (TWO required for GEA)

- _____ USA/CANADA Leadership Forum 2026 in Memphis, TN
- _____ MD13 Leadership Institute (RLLI, ELLI, RLLI 2 if one is held)

☐ Winter Retreat, January 15 – 17, 2027 at Deer Creek State Park
☐ A District Cabinet meeting Aug / Nov / Feb 2026-2027
☐ District OH2 Convention March 2026
☐ Ohio Lions Convention, May 2026 in Wilmington, OH
☐ Lions Clubs International Convention (LCIcon) July 3-7 in Hong Kong

ACTIVITIES: count activities only once. (at least FOUR required for GEA)

☐ Conduct a Vision Screening	☐ Sponsor a Community Service project
☐ Eye exam and/or glasses provided	☐ Hearing aid sent to Hearing & Speech Committee
☐ Sponsor a Lions Good or Quest program	☐ Sponsor a youth program or scholarship
☐ Sponsor a Peace Poster or Essay Contest	☐ Participate in an activity for Mental Health and Wellness.
☐ Sponsor a Liberty Day Program	

DONATIONS: International, State & District Projects (SIX required)

☐ LCIF	☐ Community donations
☐ Ohio Lions Foundation	☐ Ohio Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation
☐ Ohio Lions Eye Research Foundation	☐ STEPS / Ohio Lions Pediatric Cancer Foundation
☐ Sight & Hearing	☐ Project Life Saver
☐ District Hearing & Speech	
☐ Echoing Hills or similar camp	
☐ Donation to Other Non-Profit Organization. Name _____	

PUBLIC RELATIONS (THREE required for GEA)

☐ Monthly Club Newsletter	☐ Local media article (newspaper, website, cable access, etc.)
☐ Club website	☐ Public advertising via radio, television, or cable media access
☐ Club Facebook Instagram account	
☐ District Newsletter shared with club	
☐ Other form of public advertising. Explain: _____	

SOCIAL / NETWORKING (THREE required for GEA)

☐ Hosted another club for a meeting Club hosted: _____
☐ District Bowling Outing
☐ STEPS Walk September 19 or 20, 2026
☐ STRIDES Walk / Run
☐ Visited any other club in the district (at least 3 club members for the award):
 Club visited _____
☐ Helped any other club in district with a project (at least 2 members for the award):
 Club assisted _____

KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS and submit electronically to:

Chairpersons PDG Cindy Beat (Mark) 4871 S Twp Rd 197 Attica OH 44807-9525 (419) 937-7543 cell lioncindy.beat@outlook.com	1. All clubs are automatically entered. Information will be taken from this form, which may be submitted twice – once at the end of June and again before convention. 2. Contest runs from 4/1/26 to 2/28/27 3. This form should be mailed, or emailed to the contest Chairman by February 28, 2027. 4. Awards will be presented at the District Convention
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