



The Cork Barrack Street Band received very welcome support from the Cork Lions Club. We are extremely grateful for the donations we receive from them

which has enabled us to purchase several musical instruments along with providing tuition to a number of young people who would otherwise not be in a position to access a music education for many reasons. The socially inclusive nature of this program has changed the lives of several young people involved in the program. It has been a very welcome and positive experience for the Barrack Street Band to be associated with the Cork Lions Club and the tremendous work their members carry out.

**Billy O'Callaghan, Band Leader, Barrack Street Band**



*Cork Lions Club*

I've been a member of Cork Lions Club for 15 years, due to business travel I cannot attend as many of the monthly meeting as I would like, but I can still contribute to the fund raising actives as much as possible. I find being a member of the club very rewarding. Being part of a group of people whose only ambition as a club is to serve the local community and give something back is very rewarding. The diverse backgrounds and age profile of all involved also makes it a fun club to be involved in.

**Jack Daly, Lion member 15 years**

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**Christmas Food Appeal Campaign**

Each Christmas Cork Lions Club runs the Christmas Food Appeal where members bag pack, run street collections and man food collection points throughout the city.

The food and funds raised this year allowed us to make 500 hampers which were distributed to families throughout Cork City making Christmas better for over 2000 members of the public. The Christmas Food Appeal is our biggest campaign and we are always seeking extra volunteers to help out – why not give it a shot?

**About Us**

Cork Lions Club is a group of local men and women from all ages and walks of life. Lions are a voluntary organisation who support deserving causes locally and internationally. Cork Lions run fundraising events and support other organisations to run events. Every cent raised goes directly to the benefiting charity. Members get involved to a greater or lesser extent depending on their availability.

**Sample of Organisations Supported**



Whether you are 18 or 80 new members are always welcome – if you are interested we would be happy to arrange a chat with a member over a coffee to discuss what we do and answer any questions.

To arrange a chat please text or call 087 2350506 or email: [info@corklionsclub.ie](mailto:info@corklionsclub.ie)

Meetings: First Tuesday of each month (Sep – June) in Clarion Hotel, Lapps Quay, Cork  
Web: [www.corklionsclub.ie](http://www.corklionsclub.ie)



**Cork Lions Club**

What might be in it for you?





### Lions Recycle for Sight Campaign

Members collect used eyeglasses which are cleaned, sorted and repackaged for distribution to people in need in developing countries. To date we have recycled over 5000 pairs of eyeglasses.



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After a close bereavement in my family (I lost my daughter aged 7 to Cancer) I was asked by a close friend to join Round Table. After being a member for 7 years I joined Nassjoe

Lions Club in Sweden. When I moved to Cork a customer told me about the Christmas Food Appeal - that was 2003. When I mentioned to him that I used to be a member in Sweden, the day after I was contacted by Simon Stokes. I think raising money for charities and helping the less well off in society is very close to all our hearts. If we also have a very nice social friendly club spirit when doing it - that's Lions for me.

### Kenneth Kling, Lion member 20 years



The work of NCBI - Working for People with Sight Loss - is only part funded by the HSE. To have the support of The Cork Lions Club and to receive a

substantial donation as a result of the work they do is fantastic. Without the support of groups like The Cork Lions Club I know that organisations like NCBI would struggle to do the work they do.

### Neil Ashworth, Regional Manager of NCBI



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I've got great enjoyment and satisfaction in being a member of the Club and participating in all activities of the Club - both in the projects undertaken and in the social

element of the Club. I have made many friends in the Club and also in the Communities we helped. It has been a great privilege to make a contribution to my adopted city through Cork Lions Club.



VOICES OF CORK

The Cork Community Project is a joint project between Cope Foundation, LDTF Mayfield Foróige, YPFSF St. Josephs Foróige, LDTF Lotamore Foróige and the Voices of Cork. In 2013

we undertook our first major project. That project saw over 700 children of all abilities from all over Cork come together to write, rehearse, record, perform and launch a charity Christmas album. These two groups support around 30 young people from the north east area of Cork City on a weekly basis. Without the Lions clubs support the Cork Community Project would not have been possible.

### Eamon Nash. Cork Community Project, Cope Foundation



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I joined Lions in Lions year 2006/2007 and have never looked back. I joined out of, firstly, curiosity and, secondly, it was an opportunity to give something back to communities. The ethos and goals of Lions resonated strongly with me and the fact that all monies were going to the causes for which they raised had me completely hooked. This was verified for me when I realised that members actually pay a fee to cover insurance and administration costs themselves!

The moments of joy, gratitude, thanks, humbleness, camaraderie and most of all fun that I have had has been immeasurable. I would encourage anyone to become a member of a Lions club, we are local, we are national, we are international!! There is no excuse. I promise you will not regret it and the sense of fulfilment and satisfaction you will get from being involved in so many projects and events is priceless. We have fun in Lions while doing great work, even though we don't say so enough ourselves!

### Teresa Dineen, Lion member 9 years



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Membership of the club has presented me with many challenges and many memorable and enjoyable experiences over the years all accompanied by a sense that whatever I was doing on behalf of the club was of benefit to the community. It also introduced me to many like-minded people both from the Cork club and further afield with some of these leading to enduring friendships.

### Tim O'Donovan, Lion member 25 years



Cork Life Centre

Having been involved with the Cork Lions Club over a period of years we have been fortunate enough to have experienced first-hand their unique model of local giving. What is unique about being the recipients of the good work of the Lions Club is that you are not made to feel that you are in receipt of charity. Rather as an organisation you are made to feel that your work is both valued and valuable. The support and friendship offered to the Cork Life Centre by the Cork Lions Club has been a high point of our work in recent years and the relationship we have developed is one that we truly cherish.

### Don O'Leary - Director, Cork Life Centre



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I joined Cork Lions Club with the intention of giving something back to my community which we do every year but I didn't expect to get such a personal feeling of satisfaction that I do. Being a Lion has given me skills that I never thought it would. Organizational skills, people skills, confidence, public speaking true friendship and so much more. I would recommend anybody to join Cork Lions Club.

### Simon Stokes, Lion member 20 years



Message in a Bottle Campaign - Lions Message in a Bottle is a simple, but effective, way to keep essential personal and medical details where they can be found in an emergency - the fridge. To date we have distributed over 1000