



Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center

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To: Council of Governors
From: Kerby Kee, President

As my second year as president, I am so proud of all the clubs that supported the NWLERC throughout MD19 this past year.

We are still working on our site plan for a new facility. Our architect informed us this spring that we had an endangered gopher in Thurston County and before he could go ahead with the project the county and state would have to inspect our property to insure we did not have any gophers. We just received notice that there are none. We are now looking to moving ahead with our project.

We finished the year with a total of 259,253 glasses collected. We sent 23,452 glasses on 29 missions throughout the world. We have supported 284 missions since our inception and sent a total of 236,514 throughout the world. Since 2004 when we started, Lions clubs have collected for LERC 2,205,787 pair, of glasses. We are now receiving eyeglasses from Montana and Wyoming.

We are a financially secure foundation with our property free and clear.

The volunteers working with Lions from the local area make NWLERC so successful. Our VOICE students will return to help us with packing of glasses. They are a very dedicated group of students.

The Order of The Eastern Star has asked if they could collect glasses on behalf of the NWLERC. We have provided 100 collections boxes for their chapters. We are hoping this will be a long and fruitful endeavor.

I would like to invite our District Governors to visit our facility so that they may return to their clubs and explain what we are all about. The more Lions that can tell people about us the greater our presence will be known.

Changing Lives One Pair of Eyeglasses at a Time.

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