



## AUSTRALIAN LIONS GIVE \$50,000 FOR INDONESIAN EARTHQUAKE HELP

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Lions Australia, one of our countries best known service clubs has offered \$50,000 for urgent relief in the wake of yet another disaster in Indonesia.

Executive Officer, Rob Oerlemans says:

"Lions know about disaster relief, and we know that the important thing is to get the money into the hand of those who need it – and get it there quick!"

"We are an international association and we have very strong links with our Lions in Indonesia. By providing the money to our colleagues in Indonesia we know that the funds will be used appropriately, and that 100% of the money will go to those who need it."

"Food, clothing, emergency accommodation and medical treatment are what they money is for."

Lions Clubs International operates the 'Lions Alert program'. This network of Lions in 200 countries worldwide enables the Association to respond quickly to international emergencies, and to draw on the generous hearts of Lions everywhere to contribute to assistance.

This is why, during the Asian Tsunami, Lions found more than \$19mill. to assist with rebuilding; Lions in Australia and New Zealand raising more than \$2mill. alone. With the funds, Lions rebuilt three towns in Aceh province, constructing 570 homes and community buildings, and even constructing simple fishing boats so that local men could return to their livelihood and provide for their families.

If members of the public would like to help, they can provide their donations to:

Lions National Office  
Locked Bay 2000  
Newcastle NSW 2300

The public may also deposit funds directly into the appeal account at:

National Australia Bank  
Account Name: Lions Australia Indonesian Earthquake Appeal  
BSB: 082 748  
Account Number: 7943 00960

Lions is always looking for talented, motivated community spirited individuals to contribute to a wide range of humanitarian and community leadership activities. More information can be found at <http://www.lionsclubs.org.au>.

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### **About Lions Australia**

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service organisation with 1.5 million members in 45,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographical locations. Lions Australia is one of Australia's largest service organisations with almost 28,000 members and 1,400 clubs across Australia. Lions Australia raises over \$20 million per annum to assist in community and health projects, and funding for Lions foundations and programs.