

IOWA LIONS DISTRICT 9SE CARE & SHARE GUIDELINES

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PURPOSE:

To give aid and comfort to persons within Iowa Lions District 9SE in need of financial assistance for sight, hearing or other emergencies.

TYPES OF ASSISTANCE:

1. Medical or educational material assistance for persons that are sight or hearing impaired.
2. Assistance due to illness with medical or other items not covered by personal health insurance such as travel, meals for family members in support of ill person, handicap ramps and etc.
3. Assistance for persons needing help with travel expenses to Leader Dog facility or in-home Leader Dog needs.
4. Disaster assistance of personal belongings or property damages by natural causes.
5. Assistance for other emergencies not specifically covered above where financial help is needed, i.e. no accident, auto, or life insurance.

FUNDING:

1. A restricted fund called "District 9SE Care and Share" shall be established in the budget of District 9SE.
2. Funding for the "Care and Share" shall come from Lions and Lioness Clubs within the District or from cabinet funds with approval of the District Cabinet.
3. Disbursements to applicants shall be limited to a matching or available-funds basis, up to \$500.

CARE & SHARE CHAIRMAN:

The Care & Share Chairman shall be the Immediate Past District Governor. Duties of the Care & Share Chairman shall be to educate the Lions and Lioness Clubs about Care & Share in District 9SE, as well as raising money for the fund.

APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE:

The Care & Share Application Review Committee shall consist of three persons:

1. Immediate Past District Governor, as Chairman;
2. Current 1st Vice District Governor;
3. Immediate Past District Governor shall appoint a Lion or Lioness not on the District 9SE cabinet.

DUTIES OF THE APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE:

1. Review requests from within District for Care & Share assistance
2. Investigate recipients need of grant through local Lions or Lioness Club
3. Determine area club support.
4. Determine dollar amount grant.
5. On awarding a grant, consideration should be given regardless of club's contributed funds in the past.
6. Recommendations shall be reported to District 9SE Cabinet by the Care and Share Chairman.

DISTRITC 9SE FINAL APPROVAL:

1. A simple majority vote of the cabinet members would be needed for approval.
2. If a formal cabinet meeting is not to be called before assistance would be needed, a cell phone or email vote of the district cabinet would be needed for approval.