



LIONS LIGHT

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Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club President Koshy John's Message

Dear fellow Lions,

Namaste and Swagatham to all, (means greetings and welcome to all). I am thrilled and excited to take on the role of the Club President for the year 2019-20. Starting as a charter member of the Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club of Lions District 4-C3, I am thankful for this new responsibility and privilege to take the Lions club to greater heights.

Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club, Hayward over the past years has seen great success, teamwork and leadership. Special mention goes to Ln James Varghese, Ln George Varghese and Ln Linda Griffin for molding the club to the organization that it has currently become. I also extend my sincere thanks to our Lions who have sacrificed their time and resources for serving the suffering and the under-privileged. I will continue to focus on the following goals in the current year.

1. Expanding the service impact within US and around the world. To reach out to the suffering and provide relief.
2. We plan to strengthen our club membership through diversity. To add committed people for serving under the Lions club banner. I will encourage every current member of our club to actively participate and have meaningful involvement in club activities.
3. Empowering every Lion as a leader. To provide leadership roles for every Lion and stand by each leader in the process.
4. To support our global foundation, LCIF

I will strive to channel every hard work of our Lions so that club will have extraordinary results. I promise to rollup my sleeves and work as a team to attaining the service goals. Our motto "We Serve" will be followed in every sense. There will be no one higher or lower in the service activity realm. We will work as one team for the common good. We will unite with other clubs in the area and create a greater impact in the society.

I look forward to build a strong future as we work in harmony and build robust partnerships with all of you.

Yours in Lionism

Koshy John





SILICON VALLEY INDIAN LIONS CLUB

CHARTER PRESIDENT Ln. JAMES VARGHESE ELECTED AS 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Ln. Koshy John, President



Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club is happy to have our own Charter President Ln. James Varghese elected and installed as the 2nd Vice District Governor for the District 4-C3.

Ln. James Varghese was born in Southern State of India, Kerala (also called God's Own Land). He completed his college education in India and moved to United States more than 30 years ago and continued his studies in Aviation. Immediately after his studies, he was hired by United Airlines. Currently he is working in United Airlines Technical Operations as Senior Supervisor.

In 2014-2015 fiscal year, under the leadership of James, Hayward Silicon Valley Indian Lions Club was Chartered and he was the Charter President. James served in the roles of Club President, Director Board Member, Zone Chair and Region Chair. Besides serving in Lions Club, James is very active in the community and have the experience of leading organizations for decades.

He is also a media professional and currently the National Vice President of 'India Press Club of North America'. He is also a member of the prestigious organization, NPC (National Press Club of Washington DC).

Below are the words from Ln. James.

" I am very thankful to each and every lion member of Silicon Valley Indian Club for providing the wholehearted support in all different aspects and we became one of the best service clubs in the district. Even though we don't have many years of service history as a lions club to boast, but our service in the past 4 years made huge impact in our local community as well as overseas. Our club members are all full time employed, however, they find time to serve the community in many different ways. Silicon Valley Indian Lions, you all are really "awesome" !!!.



PDG Rajen Thapa and 2nd Vice District Governor James Varghese with District C-4 Governor team: DG Helen Casaclang, 2nd VDG Dr. Jun Valera, PDG Esther Lee, Alice James and Vigi Gopan

OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS



Eye Glass Sorting for future medical mission



Cooking for Homeless



Rise Against Hunger Event

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100 backpacks with school supplies donated to Fire affected Paradise Schools.



Sorting out Eye Glasses for medical mission



Vision Screening....

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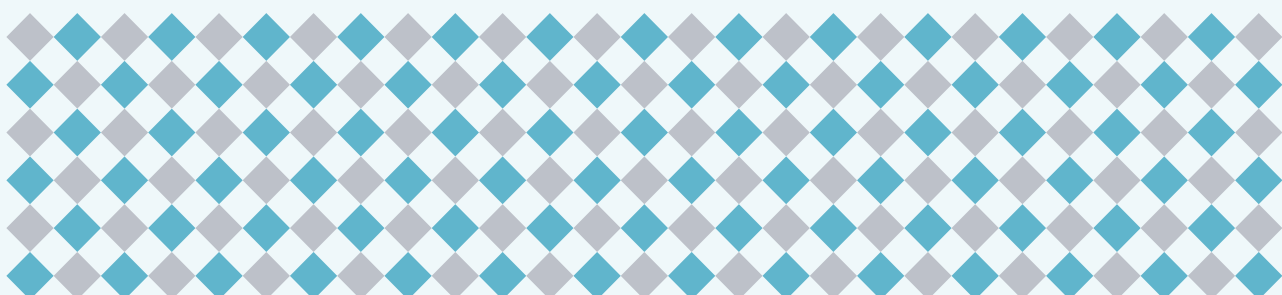
Backpack distribution to local schools.



Rise Against Hunger Project



Volunteering to provide food to homeless





PDG Rajen Thapa shows importance of 'Working Togetherness' and 'Team Work' - "More Hands means more Service"

Our Upcoming Service Events....

STAND DOWN ON THE DELTA 2019

SEPTEMBER 20th, 21st & 23rd

Venue: Contra Costa County Fair Grounds
Located in Antioch



WE SUPPORT VETERANS

with
Hundreds of Blankets
and
Hygiene Kits

Rise Against Hunger



Our Next Project

WE ARE LOOKING SPONSORS FOR 10,000 MEALS

Join Lions Club...to make a difference

When caring people join together, roll up their sleeves and take action to make their community better, it's a beautiful thing—and an incredible feeling for everyone involved. That's Lions.