

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

**Lions Young Leaders in Service  
Awards**

CHALLENGING YOUTH TO SERVE



MD 105 LIONS CLUB GUIDE

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**YOUNG LEADERS IN SERVICE AWARDS**  
**Encouraging, guiding and mentoring young people – investment's for the future.**

**1. Introduction to the award**

The YLiS Awards recognise young people between the ages of 11 and 18 for their community service over **12 months**, *starting on the date of their first hour of community service and completing on the first anniversary of that date:*

- 12 months community service of 25– 49 hours = Bronze Seal Award Certificate
- 12 months community service of 50 – 99 hours = Silver Seal Award Certificate
- 12 months community service of 100 or more hours = Gold Seal Award Certificate

On completion of **12 months' service** the young leaders will receive a certificate, congratulatory letter from the Lions Clubs International President and a YLiS pin or cloth badge. These are requested on the anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup> date in the logbook. Only one certificate can be issued in any 12 month period.

**2. Benefits for young people**

- Experience the rewards of community service
- Become involved in their community and with local Lions clubs
- Receive an international award

**3. Benefits for Lions Clubs**

- Experience the rewards of supporting young people with minimal costs
- Gain publicity from YLiS activities
- Increase the profile of Lions in your community

**Suggestions for projects**

<b>Projects</b>	<b>Suggestions for service activities</b>
Service for the elderly	Performing simple home repairs and jobs around the house; running errands; chatting and being a friend; helping older people with IT skills
Service for children	Collecting and distributing toys or clothes Reading stories and helping with homework Visiting children in hospital As a Guide, helping with Brownies, Rainbows; as a Scout, helping with Cubs, Beavers, perhaps sewing on achievement badges, as a Cadets helping at meetings
Environment	Plant trees, weeding flower beds Clear litter
Service to the homeless/hungry	Collecting food, clothing and toiletries for donation to a local welfare centre; raising money to buy essentials for them to set up home; disaster relief
Safety training	Helping younger children learn about water safety, fire prevention, traffic awareness, bicycle safety
Service to parents and family	Caring for a disabled family member Shopping and cleaning Entertaining, chatting and motivating Looking after younger brothers or sisters; babysitting
Education	Helping a child or adult to learn how to read and write, mentoring Reading to those visually impaired or record stories for them to listen to
Public health	Assist with health screening Collect used spectacles and hearing aids for recycling Create awareness of AIDS, teenage suicide and substance abuse
Taking a leaders' role	Cadets; Boys' Brigade; St John; Red Cross; Church; Youth Club; Community youth group; involvement with any community activity
Helping the Lions	Fund-raising for local charities, welfare activities or disaster relief Planning a party for children; organising a treat for older people; working as a member of the Lions team in whatever they do

#### **4. How to get involved and what is available to help clubs promote the award**

- a. Gain the commitment of one of your Lions members to take responsibility for this young people's programme
- b. Request copies from your District Officer or the MD Officer of
  - the club mini guide, and 'How the Award Operates'
  - promotional leaflets for distribution to local youth groups and schools
  - logbooks
  - posters

The leaflets can be personalised to your club, with space left for you to insert your club and contact details prior distribution. See also the MD105 website [www.lionsclubs.co](http://www.lionsclubs.co) members area/youth/young leaders in service.

- c. Your club may run this award scheme at any time of the year, with participants ***starting on the date of their first hour of community service and completing on the first anniversary of that date.***
- d. Contact your local schools and youth organisations, such as St John, Red Cross, Boys Brigade, Cadets, youth clubs, Scouts, Guides, churches, sports clubs, young carers, Youth Councils and all youth organisations. A personal pre-arranged visit could be the most effective way of gaining their interest.
- e. Explain how the Young Leaders in Service award works and what benefits it brings. Take all supporting paperwork with you, including all promotional materials, registration forms, YLiS School/Youth Organisation Award Certification form and logbooks for recording service activities. Confirm start and finish dates and mention that you will be planning presentation events for successful Young Leaders in Service to tie in with finish dates. (You would probably want to run these a number of times each year.) Keep in contact with the organisation to keep their interest, monitor progress and in case of queries.
- f. Contact participating organisations at least a month before each participant's year end to ensure that the logbooks/youth organisation data sheet record, have been completed with the hours of service recorded and advise the date for collection with the **YLiS 2** School/Youth Organisation Award Certification Forms (p9/10)
- g. Send the logbooks with the **YLiS 2** School/Youth Organisation Award Certification Forms and **YLiS 3** Lions Club Request Form (p11) to your District Officer who will apply for the letters, certificates and pins and/or cloth badges from the Multiple District Officer. These logbooks will be returned to the Lions Club to be given back to the participants. Allow at least 4 weeks for delivery of the Awards.
- h. On completion of the Awards prepare a Press release and send it to the local newspaper, your District Newsletter and to the MD105 YLiS Officer who will include it on the YLiS Facebook page. Let your District and the MD Officer know. Also contact the editor of the Lion Magazine.
- i. Make arrangements for the presentation ceremony.

**5. The Presentation Ceremony – aims and suggested format**

- **To recognise and reward young people for their commitment to community service.**
  - **To raise the profile of your Lions Club and confirm Lions commitment to young people.**
- a. Schools – at a school event at which parents, friends, teachers and governors are present.
  - b. At a local Lions event, with invitations issued to Lions and their partners, local dignitaries like the mayor, MP, business people, all the family and friends of the participants and the organisations or individuals who have benefited from the community service.
  - c. At a youth organisation's own event, again so that the maximum number of people can be invited and involved.
  - d. Press – invite the Press and provide them with a Press release explaining what the presentation is all about. Get permission from the young people's parents/guardians prior to use of any of these photos.
- 6. Present all the young people with their certificates, letters from the International President and pin or cloth badge.**

**Promotion at the presentation event: if possible, put up a display stand with information about the YLiS scheme and other Lions youth programmes, local contact details and leaflets to hand out.**

**Press release – an idea for you to adapt for your own purpose.**

**Lions Clubs International Young Leaders in Service** – local students at .....School (or name of the youth organisation) have spent hundreds of hours of their time helping a variety of different people in their local community. The Lions Club of ..... is delighted to welcome very special young people to a presentation ceremony to celebrate their achievements. The Young Leaders in Service Awards reward the very best young people between the ages of 11 and 18 with certificates signed by the Lions International President.

These remarkable young people are all involved in helping their community, in particular those less fortunate than themselves. They dispel the myth that all young people are trouble-makers. We are proud of their achievements.

To learn more about your local Lions Club activities and perhaps become involved, contact..... or ring .....

## **YLiS Forms**

### **YLiS 1a – page 8 (registration form including presentation evening)**

This form is given to each young person before they are issued with a logbook. When the completed request forms are returned the young leaders receive their logbooks in which to record their service during the following 12 months.

### **YLiS 1b – page 9 (registration form without presentation evening)**

This form is given to each young person before they are issued with a logbook if your club is not planning on holding a presentation evening. When the completed request forms are returned the young leaders receive their logbooks in which to record their service during the following 12 months.

Forms 1a/1b are kept by the club for reference and destroyed when they are no longer required

### **YLiS 2 – page 10/11**

#### **(YLiS School/Youth Organisation Award CERTIFICATION FORM)**

Form YLiS 2 is completed by the school or youth group or the person verifying the hours at the end of 12 months service. It is returned to the Lions Club with the logbooks or with a printout of each young persons electronic record of hours.

### **YLiS 3 – page 12 (Lions Club Award Request Form)**

Completed by the club and sent with the logbooks or data sheet and form YLiS 2 to your District Officer. Details of District Officers are in the MD Directory of Clubs & Officers which is updated each year.

### **YLiS 4 – page 13 (Parental Consent Form for Use of Images of Children)**

Suggest that this is sent to the parents with the registration form and a YLiS leaflet.



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You can take part in different types of volunteering and all the hours you complete should be entered into your logbook and signed to confirm that you took part.

The categories are:

Environment, Literacy and Education, Help children, Help family and friends, Public health, Disaster relief, Help elderly people, Safety, Community Improvement, Helping homeless or hungry people, or any other service activity of your choice.

Your personal details:

Name..... Date of Birth.....

Contact details: We would like your contact details so we can invite you to an Award presentation on the successful completion of your 12 months voluntary service. Leave blank if you do not wish to provide this information.

Address .....  
.....  
.....

Phone no..... email.....

I confirm that the above information is accurate and that I wish to become a Lions Young Leader in Service.

..... Date.....  
Young Leader’s Signature

..... Date.....  
Parent/Guardian’s signature

Your Lions Club Representative is.....

Lions Contact Details.....

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YLIS 1b



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LIONS YOUNG LEADERS IN SERVICE AWARDS  
**LIONS CLUB AWARD REQUEST FORM**



**To be given by the participating Lions Club to their District Officer for submission to Lions Clubs International MD 105**

Lions Club of		District: 105
Town/City	Country	
Name of Lion Submitting this form:		
Telephone No:		email:
<u>Name and address to mail letters and certificates</u>		
Telephone No:		email:

**Instructions:**

1. Fill in all the information requested above.
2. Ensure that all information on school/youth organisation award certification form (YLIS 2) is legible.
3. Attach an original copy of the school/youth organisation award certification form (YLIS 2) for which you want letters and certificates issued. Attach the form to this page.
4. Send the completed **forms** (YLIS 2 and 3) and the **logbooks** to your **YLIS District Officer**. Logbooks will be returned to the club to be handed back to the Young Leaders.

Please allow **FOUR WEEKS** for the District and MD Officers to process these forms and issue a letter, certificate and pin or cloth badge for each award recipient. All letters and certificates will be mailed to the name and address provided above.

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MULTIPLE DISTRICT 105  
Young Leaders in Service



Parental Consent Form for Use of Images of Children

I/we..... the parent(s)/guardian(s) of

Young person's full name .....

hereby give Lions Clubs International permission to use any still and/or moving image being video footage, photographs and/or frames and/or audio footage depicting my/our children named above, taken on behalf of the Lions Club of .....

on .....

at .....

for any of the following uses:

Advertisements, marketing, leaflets, or any other use such as for training, educational or publicity purposes. The above consents will apply throughout the world and be for an indefinite period / to expire on (date)..... (delete as appropriate)

Signed.....Date.....

Signed.....Date.....

Address.....

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Postcode.....

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