



LEO DISTRICT 306 D2 AWARDS ATTRIBUTES

Guidelines for Nominating Entries for Leo Multiple Awards 2026

Description of the Document

This document will define available awards and its selection attributes for Leo District 306 D2 for the fiscal year 2025/2026, This is solely based on the Leo Multiple District Award Attributes for the fiscal year 2025/2026.

Objectives of Multiple District Awards

Multiple Awards are to recognize outstanding performances by Leo Clubs, Leo Districts and Leo Club members in various aspects. In addition, the awards program has the following objectives:

- To encourage Leo Clubs and members to perform in humanitarian services and develop their leadership skills.
- To maintain a high motivation level of members which is essential for the sustainability of the movement.
- To create healthy competition to go out of comfort zones.
- To acknowledge consistent commitment, dedication and excellence throughout the year.
- To strengthen collaboration and camaraderie among clubs through shared goals and recognition.
- To benchmark and uphold standards of excellence across all Leo Districts and Clubs in the movement.
- To empower young leaders by celebrating initiative, impact and accountability.

Eligibility for Nominations

- Leo Clubs and members in good standing will be eligible for awards nominations. This applies to the Club, District, Individual and Key awards.
- Leo Districts should adhere to the common guidelines put forward by the Multiple District; however, Districts **may** include additions, which will add value to the report.
- In this scenario, **good standing** is defined as given below:
 - If the sponsoring Lions Club is an active Lions Club in Lions Clubs International (status quo is not inactive) and the Leo Club is an active Leo Club in Lions Clubs International (i.e., international dues are paid by sponsoring the Lions Club to the Lions Clubs International).

AND



- If the Leo Club/Leo Club members have paid the membership due liable to Leo Multiple District 306, (the amount agreed upon the consent of Leo District Presidents) via paying out to the respective Leo District before the deadline. The responsibility of collection of membership dues from Leo Clubs/Leo Club members is with the respective Leo District where Leo District is accountable to Leo Multiple District 306 on payment of membership dues.

Nominations and Selection Process

- Leo District Council recognizes outstanding performances in each category at annual Leo District conferences. District awards are often selected by an independent award panel at the District level.
- The District President nominates District level winners of relevant categories into Leo Multiple awards.
- The awards selection panel of Multiple District go through nominations and selects winners.
- Selection from the awards panel is approved by the Multiple District Leo Chairperson.

District Awards Executive Committee

1. District President - Leo Thameera Dananjaya (Voting)
2. Chief Coordinator - District Contest - Leo Sewwandi Gunasinghe (Voting)
3. District Leo Chairperson - Lion Anura Goonetilleke (Non - Voting)
4. District Vice President – Leo Nomin Premarathna (Voting)
5. Other 4 voting members will be announced by April 2026 depending on the activeness and involvement at district and club events.
6. District Secretary as the secretary to the award committee (non-voting).



IMPORTANT:

- As the MyLion reporting is mandatory to all project awards, clubs are required to include the screenshot proofs in the MyLeo project reports.
- The examples listed in the project categories are just a guide and clubs are encouraged to be creative.
- The decision of the respective committees, whether taken by a majority vote or by a unanimous decision, shall be the final decision in the matters pertaining to the awards and all recognition. Influencing the decisions of the Executive Committee is a reason to disqualify.
- Furthermore, the Multiple District Executive Committee has the authority to alter any guidelines during the year in office, which are deemed necessary for the success and betterment of the Leo Clubs, Leo District Councils or Leoism in general which should be approved with a simple majority during a board meeting.
- The decisions of the respective committees shall stand at any given instance to maintain a true and fair view.

Required Documentation

Districts should submit a duly completed Awards Nomination Form to the Leo Multiple District 306. Relevant activity reports which contain the nominated project reports and other supporting documents shall accompany the nominations.



Submission Deadlines

- Club MyLeo Activity, Projects and Treasurer Reports for each month need to be submitted by the **10th of the following month** and **Quarter Reports to be submitted on the 05th of the following month of each quarter.**
- The **April month's reports** should be submitted by **05th of May 2026** and the **Quarter Report** together with the **Annual Report** to be submitted by **05th May 2026.**

Nominations Deadlines

- The final deadline for award nominations submission from each Club to the Leo District 306 D2 will be on or before **05th of May 2026.**

Summary Awards List

- The Leo District Evaluation program is designed carefully to encourage Leo Club activities aligned to Lions Global Causes framework.



We encourage Leos to integrate key elements of Sustainable Development Goals presented by the United Nations into their projects in order to enhance the project impact.



***Use of the 'Sustainable Development Goals' and 'Lions Global Causes' logo/s can only be utilized for projects which carry relevance and proper scope to suit the outlined specifics under UNSDGs and Lions International.*
(<https://sdgs.un.org/goals> & <https://lionsClubs.org/en/explore-our-Clubs/our-global-causes>)



PROJECTS AWARDS

1. Best Project for Spotlight on Children
2. Best Project for Responsible Consumption & Waste Management
3. Best Project for Nutrition & Food Safety
4. Best Project for Peace, Religious & Cultural Activities
5. Best Project for Sports & Recreation
6. Best Project for Health & Wellbeing
7. Best Project for Senior Citizens Development
8. Best Project for Helping Hand to Differently Abled
9. Best Project for Public Relations
10. Best Project for Fundraiser
11. Best Project for Quality Education & Literacy
12. Best Project for Women Empowerment
13. Best Project for Poverty & Better Life
14. Best Project for Clean Water & Energy Conservation
15. Best Project for Crime & Accident Prevention
16. Best Project for Infrastructure Development
17. Best Project for Research & Development
18. Best Project for Drug Prevention & Rehabilitation
19. Best Project for **Street Animals**, Wildlife & Life Below Water
20. Best Project for Fellowship
21. Best Project for Betterment of Leoism
22. Most Outstanding Service Project
23. Most Innovative Project
24. Most Outstanding Continuous Project
25. **Most Outstanding Project by a New Leo**
26. Best Project Organized on Behalf of the Leo District
27. Best Project Organized on Behalf of the Leo Multiple District



JOINT PROJECTS AWARDS

28. Best Serving Together Project (Joint Project with Lions Club/Sponsoring Lions Club)
29. Best Joint Project with Non-Leo/Outside Organization
30. Best Joint Inter-District Project (Joint Project Between Leo Clubs from Different Leo Districts)
31. Best Joint Intra-District Project (Joint Projects Between Leo Clubs of the Same Leo District)
32. Joint Projects with Foreign Leo Clubs/Best International Joint Project
33. Most Outstanding Joint Service Project

LIONS GLOBAL CAUSES AWARDS

34. Best Project for Diabetes
35. Best Project for Environment
36. Best Project for Hunger
37. Best Project for Childhood Cancer
38. Best Project for Vision
39. Best Project for Youth
40. Best Project for Disaster Management and Prevention

LANDMARK PROJECTS AWARDS

41. Legacy Projects Awards



INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

42. Most Supportive Leo
43. Most Disciplined Leo
44. Most Outstanding District Unit Member
45. Most Outstanding District Council Officer
46. Most Popular District Council Officer
47. Most Outstanding District Activity Director
48. Most Popular Leo (Winner only)
49. Most Outstanding New Leo of the Year
50. Most Outstanding Digital Transformation Champion
51. Most Outstanding Bulletin Editor
52. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Treasurer
53. Most Outstanding Club Treasurer
54. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Secretary
55. Most Outstanding Club Secretary
56. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Vice President
57. Most Outstanding Club Vice President
58. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Immediate Past President
59. Most Outstanding Club Immediate Past President
60. Most Outstanding Alpha Leo Scholar (Winner only)
61. Most Outstanding Leo Scholar (Winner only)
62. Most Outstanding Leo Executive (Winner only)
63. Most Outstanding Leo Entrepreneur (Winner only)
64. Most Outstanding Staff Advisor
65. Most Outstanding Leo Club Advisor
66. Most Outstanding Leo Lion

CLUB AWARDS

67. Best IT-Enabled Club
68. Leo Club with Highest Net Membership Growth
69. Best Administered Leo Club
70. Most Outstanding New Leo Club



KEY AWARDS

71. Most Outstanding New Leo Club
72. Winner of the District Contest
73. Top 10 Leo Clubs of the District
74. Top 10 Leo Club Presidents in the District
75. Top 10 Leos in the District
76. **Most Outstanding Alpha Club President**
77. Most Outstanding Club President
78. Most Outstanding Community-Based Omega Leo Club
79. Most Outstanding University/Institute based Omega Leo Club
80. Most Outstanding School Leo Club
81. Most Outstanding Leo Club
82. Leo of the Year Award

HONOR AWARDS

83. Leo Honor Awards (Retirements)



Minimum Requirements

The following identifies the minimum requirement and attributes of each category and is intended to serve as a basic framework. Leo Clubs are encouraged to implement innovative actions as relevant in addition to the attributes mentioned.

IMPORTANT:

- In the event the awards selection committee finds no nomination, which is satisfactory and relevant enough for an award category, the committee has the right to decide not to award under that category.
- A District **MUST** send **ONLY ONE** nomination as the winner/1st place of any award category.
- An individual project or a joint project can only be reported/nominated for **two different project categories.**

Note:

- Projects focusing on **Sustainability and Impact**, in the long run, will have a higher weight in recognition.
- It is advised to provide bills, invoices and other supporting documents along with the reports. (E.g., Letters of acknowledgement issued by relevant authorities, joined outside organizations or any other third party confirming the project/achieved results)



Award Attributes:

PROJECT AWARDS

1. Best Project for Spotlight on Children

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects conducted to groups under the age of 18.
- › The project shall include educational, health, safety, or developmental support, such as storytelling sessions, hygiene kit distribution, nutrition awareness, basic health checkups, personal safety education, reading corner setups, or creative activities like drawing and games.
- › Promoting digital safety for children, with a focus on cyberbullying prevention and managing online addiction.

2. Best Project for Responsible Consumption & Waste Management

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects on restorations and recycling of products for a renewed purpose, which could be sold to create a means of revenue to benefit another individual's livelihood via the sale of such products.
- › Community awareness programs for responsible consumption to minimize wastage and micro waste management/ recycling within homes itself.
- › Programs on proper disposal of e-waste and electronics which contain harmful elements. (E.g. CFL bulbs which contain mercury, electrical equipment etc.)
- › Projects focusing on composting where household organic waste is collected and turned into compost, which can be sold to /used by local gardeners and farmers.
- › E-waste and fast fashion reduction programs by fostering collaboration with eco-entrepreneurs.
- › Leos can partner up with Municipal Council/Environmental organizations in giving out new concepts to minimize waste and also projects focusing on sanitary landfill.



3. Best Project for Nutrition & Food Safety

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Programs on nutrition and awareness (e.g. even topics such as usage of fatty foods/carbonic vegetables)
- › Programs on sanitation and awareness of a healthy lifestyle.
- › Promote nutritional food plans using affordable ingredients.
- › Programs focusing on establishing community gardens to encourage residents to grow their own fresh fruits and vegetables.
- › Provide training on proper food handling, storage, and preparation techniques to prevent foodborne illnesses.
- › Projects specifically aimed at improving maternal and child nutrition.
- › Programs are done to identify the burden of disease from physical, chemical and microbial hazards in food and unhealthy diets, maternal and child malnutrition, overweight and obesity.

4. Best Project for Peace, Religious & Cultural Activities

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects that will promote reconciliation between different religions/cultures/customs and communities to a larger audience to bring attention and better understanding about each other for coexistence.
- › Education programs to overcome language/communication barriers between languages among communities.
- › Programs to promote cultural activities that make it possible to generate bonds of union between members of the same community. To transmit beliefs, customs, and traditions through art, dance, poetry, music, clothing, gastronomy, theatre and literature.
- › Projects providing training in conflict resolution between different religions/cultures/customs and communities, mediation techniques to community members to address and resolve conflicts peacefully.



5. Best Project for Sports & Recreation

- › Need assessment done for projects apart from sports tournaments.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Activities to uplift health, fitness, discipline and unity among citizens.
- › Sport and recreation activities include soccer, basketball, swimming, aerobics, yoga, tennis, dancing, hockey, golf, cycling and mountain biking, running and many others.
- › Initiate programs designed for seniors, such as low-impact aerobics, yoga, and swimming, to improve mobility, health, and social interaction. Fitness programs specifically designed for seniors to promote active aging and social interaction.
- › Distribution of sports equipment, coaching and guidance, and development infrastructure for sport.
- › Projects to enhance community recreational centers equipped with sports facilities, fitness equipment, and recreational spaces.

6. Best Project for Health & Wellbeing

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Programs fall under Lions International Global Causes - Diabetes, Pediatric Cancer and Vision will be awarded separately and might not be considered here.
- › Projects related to Cancer, kidney-related diseases & non-contagious diseases awareness.
- › Any blood donations and medicine distribution shall be done only under the prescription of a doctor.
- › Workshops/awareness sessions entitled for stress reduction, discussions on mental health, gratitude challenges etc. by professionals.
- › Creating different kinds of escape spaces and identifying the requirements.
- › Developing innovative communication systems and creating a platform for voices to be heard.
- › Programs on healthy lifestyle and problem-solving which affects the mental health of youth and different other stakeholders.
- › Organize workshops that provide education and resources on managing chronic diseases such as hypertension, heart disease, and respiratory conditions.
- › Implementing community challenges that promote healthy habits, such as increasing daily water intake, incorporating more fruits and vegetables into meals, and reducing sugar consumption.



- › Campaigns focusing on raising awareness about mental health issues, reducing stigma, and promote available resources for those in need.

7. Best Project for Senior Citizens Development

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › The focus of the senior citizen (Groups above the age of 60) program is to enable individuals to continue being an integral part of their community while keeping their dignity and sense of well-being. The goal of these projects is to enrich the lives of senior adults in means of educational programs, self-employment activities and other recreational activities.
- › Programs to encourage families to take care of old parents.
- › Projects focusing on self-employment opportunities such as crafting, gardening and consultancy, encouraging seniors to utilize their skills and generate income.
- › Developing programs that bring together seniors and younger generations for mutual learning and cultural exchange, fostering understanding and respect across age groups.
- › Digital literacy training and introducing tech-assisted care tools.
- › Exceptional this criterion will cover projects done on retirement and pension plan awareness programs and wealth Management programs for age groups below 60.

8. Best Project for Helping Hand to Differently Abled

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Programs to develop facilities for their surroundings, provide enjoyment and enhance the living style of the differently abled.
- › Identifying and conducting individual skill development programs. (Teaching art & crafts, enhancing music skills etc.)
- › Organize projects to change the perception of employers and differently-abled persons themselves regarding job opportunities.
- › Programs identified for special medical treatments for the differently abled. (E.g. Mental health, Physiotherapy, etc.)



- › Awareness programs to make community respect, to avoid discrimination and to welcome differently abled as an integral part of day-to-day life.
- › Develop facilities such as ramps, and accessible restrooms in public buildings and community centers to enhance mobility and independence for differently abled individuals.
- › Organize recreational activities like adaptive sports, inclusive playgrounds, and leisure outings tailored to the needs and abilities of differently abled individuals, providing enjoyment and social engagement.
- › Programs focusing on distributing assistive devices and technologies like wheelchairs, hearing aids, and communication devices to differently abled individuals, enhancing their daily living and independence.

9. Best Project for Public Relations

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects need to be directed at developing strong relationships between the public and our Leo activities via effective communication. Communication among both parties could include branding programs conducted by Leos through projects or events.
- › High promotions, effective marketing tools and a higher number of communities need to be reached in excellent handling of public relationships.
- › Programs to take the visibility of Leo and Lions Clubs in public to build a good rapport. Media, social and online campaigns with a high magnitude/attention might be considered.
- › Use of metrics such as engagement rates, impressions and innovative media platforms are encouraged.

10. Best Project for Fundraiser

- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Every Club must have conducted at least one fundraiser for the year.
- › Proper accounts & ledgers should be maintained. Net profit from the program should be clearly visible.
- › In the case of a joint project, the net profit share to the Leo Club should be clearly stated.
- › Provide a letter from the other Club joined (e.g. Lions Club) stating profit sharing basis/ fund allocation from the fundraiser.
- › Required to provide bills, invoices and other supporting documents.



› When a project is planned in this category, only the net profit shall be considered. Net profit is defined as funds raised minus expenses related to the project.

› Conducting service activities from the funds raised through the Club fundraising is encouraged.

11. Best Project for Quality Education & Literacy

› Need assessment required.

› MyLion reporting is compulsory.

› Projects concentrated towards enhancing or building an identified quality education need towards an individual or group.

› Conducting literacy programs for preschoolers, youth and elders and exploring smart classrooms and other updated digitized learning methods will also be considered.

› Projects could be conducted in skill development, improving literacy, educating or giving an opportunity to enhance an individual/group's lives.

› Scholarship and education aid programs, guidance for higher education and for vocational training.

› Programs focusing on creating scholarship schemes to provide financial aid for students from low-income families, enabling them to pursue higher education or vocational training.

12. Best Project for Women Empowerment

› Need assessment required.

› MyLion reporting is compulsory.

› Projects conducted towards women in society by molding, encouraging, and strengthening them via developing an existing opportunity or platform to perform. (Gender-neutral jobs)

› Projects focusing on sanitation and improved hygiene practices to promote a healthy lifestyle.

› Awareness and prevention programs on women abuse, eliminating gender discrimination, equal rights and labor laws to build their career path or lifeline are highly considered as well.

› Programs to develop self-employment and women entrepreneurship.



13. Best Project for Poverty & Better Life

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects focusing on uplifting the living standards of an individual or a family.
- › Programs for employment, self-employment, micro-finance, and distribution of aid for poverty-hit households or an individual.
- › Counseling services to overcome poor life standards.
- › Projects on setting up centers offering vocational training in high-demand trades, such as plumbing, electrical work, and healthcare, equipping individuals with skills for stable employment.

14. Best Project for Clean Water & Energy Conservation

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Awareness programs on energy conservation, responsible usage of energy sources (e.g. efficient ways of electricity usage).
- › Projects that promote the use of renewable energy sources, such as installing solar panels or wind turbines in community centers, schools, and residential areas.
- › Programs on water pollution, availability of clean water for communities (e.g. drinking water), distribution of water purification equipment and awareness on water purification methods, construction of tube wells.

15. Best Project for Crime & Accident Prevention

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Programs entitled under this category are to be focused on any selected individual/ group in society. (E.g. Road accidents prevention programs among drivers and pedestrians)
- › Crime Awareness and prevention programs could be focusing on abuse and assaults faced by children, men and women in society, physically or mentally while providing them with the legal support they could aid. (E.g. Prevention of cyberbullying, scams, psychological manipulation)



- › Projects providing self-defense training for women, men, and children to empower them with the skills needed to protect themselves against physical assaults and boost their confidence and sense of security.
- › Projects establishing neighborhood watch groups to promote community vigilance, enhance security and foster collaboration with local law enforcement to prevent and reduce crime in residential areas.
- › Accident prevention could also be addressed, and public awareness could be conducted through many broad titled programs.

16. Best Project for Infrastructure Development

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Letter of acknowledgement from the beneficiary communities, schools or any other institute.
- › Infrastructure is the basic physical system of a business or nation. Transportation, communication, sewage, water and electric systems are all examples of infrastructure.
- › Development, refurbishment, and repair of public properties and common properties which are beneficial to communities (e.g. bus halts, repair of classrooms of a school, sign boards, repair of public wells, donating library books after building/assisting to build a library for schools etc.).
- › It is advised to provide a proper budget, and budget approvals along with other financial evidence.

17. Best Project for Research & Development

- › Need assessment required & MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Duly filling the contest guideline form in the secretary report
- › Qualitative and Quantitative research are both considered to address a timely need in the community.
- › **The research should run for at least a month.**
- › Leos should take an effort in engaging in primary and secondary research and Leos' involvement should be highlighted to a greater extent. (Note: Questionnaires, and photos of Leo's efforts are needed in the appendices)
- › Important: After the research is conducted, implementing the proposal derived from the project needs to be implemented in a niche/mass sample. The results of the outcome need to be included in the R&D report.
- › Identifying, Publishing, Developing and delivering creative and innovative products/ services to the community.



18. Best Project for Drug Prevention & Rehabilitation

- › Need assessment required
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects in this category could be focused on two main aspects of the community:
- › Drug prevention awareness campaigns and projects towards rehabilitation centers and residents.
- › Focus projects to identify drug addicts and encourage them to undergo rehabilitation for a better life.
- › Social campaigns to reduce alcohol, cigarette and other dangerous drug consumption.
- › Campaigns to create awareness of even health effects of drugs.
- › Programs to prevent school students/minors from using drug alternatives. (I.e. consuming syrups, dangerous doses of medical drugs without doctor's advice, drug pills)
- › Projects focusing on developing initiatives aimed at youth, such as Clubs or peer support groups that promote drug-free living and provide positive recreational activities.
- › Leos' contribution is specifically needed if the project is conducted with the support of other organizations.

19. Best Project for Street Animals, Wildlife & Life Below Water

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects on reforestation, protection of forest covers & wildlife.
- › Projects on the protection of limited/restricted species of animals/fishes.
- › Awareness, and prevention programs on under-water pollution (e.g. disposal of plastics into the sea) and under-water cleaning programs targeting schools, communities, and industries.
- › Developing initiatives to protect endangered species by setting up wildlife sanctuaries, breeding programs, or feeding stations.
- › Programs such as fieldtrips, guided bird watching, cleaning, and signboards to create awareness also will be considered.
- › Initiatives to protect street animals through adopting homes, breeding programs, feeding stations, or humane care for street animals.



20. Best Project for Fellowship

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects conducted by Leos primarily to enhance fellowship through uplifting the Leo movement.
- › Programs focusing on building team spirit and unity among the Club, other Clubs, District and Multiple levels are encouraged.
- › Individual Club celebrations, including birthday celebrations will not be considered.

21. Best Project for Betterment of Leoism

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Betterment of Leoism could be reached through developing leaders of service to our nation who will lead ethically and diplomatically. Ethics and Etiquette guidance opportunities in a fun-filled environment could be provided for Leos of Sri Lanka & Maldives.
- › Leadership, skill development, and career guidance programs for Leo Club members.
- › Projects focusing on conducting seminars on professional ethics and social etiquette, integrating these topics into engaging and interactive activities, such as role-playing and situational analysis.
- › Innovative membership development programs. (E.g. team building programs for Club members, innovative Club orientation programs)

22. Most Outstanding Service Project

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Outstanding effort from Leos in a humanitarian project.
- › Correctly identified community need/serve on non-commonly addressed issues.
- › High magnitude of the program and the overall impact made on the beneficiary community.
- › Please note that the Evaluation panel will give priority to projects conducted by a single Club. (Joint projects will be considered; however, more attention will be to projects done by a single Club)



- › Publicity given via **any media.**
- › Contribution and the effort made by Leos.

23. Most Innovative Project

- › Need assessment required in the event of a service project as specified in the reporting guide.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects featuring a service opportunity that is new to the movement with a need identified towards the community.
- › A project conducted in an innovative way (Differently) on commonly addressed service opportunities by Leo Clubs.
- › Any other innovations/tools made by Leo Clubs for operations.

24. Most Outstanding Continuous Project

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › A Project that is happening in the current Leoistic year and rolls out for a period of 6 months consecutively, which focuses on the same concept consistently **and the relevant phase of the project/project series should be reported in MyLeo in the same month.**
- › Annual projects are not considered in this category.

25. **Most Outstanding Service Project by a New Leo**

- › Must be a service project chaired by a Leo who is inducted in the current Leoistic year and is registered in MyLCI.
- › Refer to the specifications given in section 22. (*Most Outstanding Service Project*)
- › Shall be carried out as a joint project as well.
- › Innovation of the project will be an added advantage.
- › The contributions of the New Leo should be clearly mentioned in the project report together with relevant evidence such as photographs and letters.



26. Best Project Organized on Behalf of the Leo District

- › Project Proposal should be submitted to District President at least 2 weeks prior to the project date.
- › Invite District council officers in the capacity of guests or participants
- › District banner to be displayed at the event if possible and provide reasons if it's not possible

27. Best Project Organized on Behalf of the Leo Multiple District

- › Project Proposal should be submitted to Multiple District President at least 2 weeks prior to the project date
- › Invite Multiple District council officers in the capacity of guests or participants.
- › Multiple District banner to be displayed at the event if possible and provide reasons if it's not possible



JOINT PROJECT AWARDS

28. Best Serving Together Project (Joint Project with Lions Club/Sponsoring Lions Club)

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Serving together banner patch or Lions International Confirmation Email/ Letter.
- › The Contribution made by Leos needs to be specifically mentioned in planning, organizing and conducting the project. Contributions made by Leo support, finance or materialistic donations need to be mentioned in the description.
- › A letter from the Lions Club confirming the contribution made by Leo Club.

29. Best Joint Project with Non-Leo/Outside Organization

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Prior to partnering with an outside organization, every Leo Club should get explicit approval according to the respective District Council's approval procedure **14 days prior to the project date.**
- › The specific contribution by the Leo Club is required to be clearly mentioned in the report.
- › A considerable contribution should be there from the Leo Club rather than participation/coordination on the event day.
- › Letter of acknowledgement from the partnered organization is compulsory.

30. Best Joint Inter-District Project

- › Need analysis needed in case of a service project as specified in reporting guidelines.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Joint project between Leo Clubs from different Leo Districts.
- › In all Joint projects the need analysis/descriptions and report should be the same as all the Clubs who partnered in the Joint Project. Leo Clubs can decide to submit a common project report as per reporting guidelines.
- › Contribution from each Leo Club should be stated in the report.
- › A letter or email of proposal, invitation, and acknowledgement from the hosting Leo Club along with the duly filled Form provided by the Leo Multiple should be added. **(The approval should be received prior to 14 days of the project date.)**



31. Best Joint Intra-District Project

- › Need analysis needed in the event of a service project as specified in reporting guidelines.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Joint Project between Leo Clubs from the same Leo District.
- › If the joint project includes Leo Clubs from different Districts, the nomination will not be considered.
- › In all Joint projects the need analysis/descriptions/and report should be the same as all the Clubs who partnered in the Joint Project. Leo Clubs can decide to submit a common project report as per reporting guidelines.
- › Contribution from each Leo Club should be stated in the report.
- › A letter or email of proposal, invitation and acknowledgement from the hosting Leo Club should be added.

32. Joint Projects with Foreign Leo Clubs / Best International Joint Project

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › A Project that is done with a foreign Leo Club(s)/Leo District(s)/Leo Multiple District(s).
- › Description of the project conducted locally and internationally needs to be included along with specific contributions made by Leos.
- › A letter or email of acknowledgement from a foreign Leo Club should be added.

33. Most Outstanding Joint Service Project

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Service projects conducted on a joint basis can only be recognized in this category.
- › All general requirements mentioned in section 22 (*Most Outstanding Service Project*) are valid for this (except for the requirement of being a service project of an individual Club).
- › **A minimum of 2 Leo Clubs** should join the project.
- › Leos are encouraged to showcase the collectiveness between Clubs during the project.
- › Contribution of each Club must be reported clearly in the reports.



LIONS GLOBAL SERVICE CHALLENGE AWARDS

34. Best Project for Diabetes

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Awareness programs for targeted groups (E.g. professionals) on diabetic prevention, food and lifestyle patterns
- › Raising awareness of diabetes through Strides events, expanding access to care through screening and treatment programs, and improving quality of life through diabetes camps and community recreational programs.
- › Establish support groups for individuals living with diabetes to share experiences, offer emotional support, and exchange practical advice.
- › Projects focusing on partnerships with local businesses, healthcare providers, and community organizations to create a network of support for individuals with diabetes.

35. Best Project for the Environment

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects under this category could be focused on the timely topics of climate action, global warming reduction, environmental conservation programs, pollution management, etc.
- › Awareness programs and Prevention programs are both inclusive to the project category and much weight will be given to Prevention programs Leos conducts.
- › Developing initiatives to promote waste reduction, recycling, and composting practices within the community.
- › Much weight will be given to the projects which sustain in the long run.



36. Best Project for Hunger

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects focusing on relieving hunger for any age group or community/homeless with a need identified to serve.
- › Encourage gardening of vegetables and fruits to promote self-sufficiency and also make gardens in a way that less fortunate people could benefit from the harvest.
- › Programs on awareness of a healthy lifestyle, especially focusing on the needy in the community. For instance, efforts to tackle malnutrition in society, in children, pregnant mothers and the elderly.
- › Programs targeted on food safety, i.e. - Avoidance of food poisoning, harmful practices on food consumption etc.

37. Best Project for Pediatric Cancer

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Awareness on pediatric cancer.
- › Programs to expand access to life-saving treatment and support the children and families who need us most.
- › Projects focusing on holistic support programs that address the physical, emotional, and social needs of pediatric cancer patients and their families.

38. Best Project for Vision

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Eye screening and distribution of spectacles and visual aids.
- › Awareness on eye health in targeted groups. (E.g. eye health among school children, help to diagnose eye problems)
- › Programs for blind/ half-blind groups, Joint programs with the National Eye Bank.
- › Implementing telemedicine services for eye care consultations, follow-ups, and vision assessments.



- › Assistance on cataract surgery will be considered more
- › Developing low vision rehabilitation programs for individuals who are blind or have significant visual impairments.

39. Best Project for Youth

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects should be conducted for age groups of 18 to 30 years in the community with a need identified.
- › Leadership Development is one of the prime motives of the Leo Club Program. The projects conducted with the above focus for Leos and Non - Leos, will have a higher weight in recognition.
- › Youth Empowerment could be addressed in building many vocational needs identified soft and technical skills via seminars, workshops and camps.
- › Programs on leadership development, positive sense of self, self-control, decision-making skills, a moral system of belief, and other life skills. (E.g. first-aid skills)
- › Programs focusing on enhancing critical thinking skills for innovative output and creative means of learning strategies involving high-end technologies. (E.g. Critical Thinking, Design Thinking, Decision Making, etc.)
- › Programs focusing on teaching essential entrepreneurial skills such as business planning, marketing, and financial management.
- › Develop mentorship programs pairing young individuals with experienced professionals who can provide guidance, support, and insights into career and personal development.
- › Develop programs teaching financial literacy, including budgeting, saving, investing, and understanding credit.

40. Best Project for Disaster Management and Prevention

- › Need assessment not required for prompt disaster response activities for critical situations.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Awareness and prevention programs conducted to reduce the impacts of natural/man-made disasters in Sri Lanka are recognized in this category.
- › Disaster response activities.



- › Project beneficiaries could be from any age group and community with the risk and need identified by Leos.
- › Collaborate with Government/Government related entities in conducting disaster management/ educational workshops and prevention programs.
- › Projects on comprehensive training for volunteers in disaster response, including first aid, basic search and rescue techniques, and fire safety, to enhance community resilience.

LANDMARK PROJECTS AWARDS

41. Legacy Projects Awards

- › Need assessment required.
- › MyLion reporting is compulsory.
- › Projects which can establish a **Landmark** within the community are considered under this category. Examples: Establishing a health clinic, building a library, constructing a community center, creating a conservation park, developing a sports complex, establishing senior and youth centers, installing public art, developing a community garden, implementing renewable energy projects, restoring historic sites, building a playground, constructing a homeless shelter and implementing water sanitation systems etc.
- › At the conclusion of the project, the contribution of the Leo/Lions movement should be made visible to the public. (A durable inauguration ceremony plaque is a must.)
- › The Leo Clubs are allowed to nominate this project for any of the above categories and the selection will be done according to the nominated category (the project can only be nominated under **ONE CATEGORY**).
- › Prior to organizing the project, every Leo Club must forward a duly filled copy of the project proposal provided by the Leo Multiple via the respective District Council to leolegacy@leomd306.org and copy the respective District Council.
- › After completion, the final project report must be submitted to leolegacy@leomd306.org and copied to the respective District Council.
- › The specific contribution made of the Leo Club should be clearly mentioned in the report.
- › A considerable contribution should be provided by the Leo Club rather than participation/coordination on the event date if the project is organized with another organization/Leo/Lions Club.
- › A letter of acknowledgement from the partnered organization is mandatory. (If organized with another organization/Leo/Lions Club)
- › Media, social media and online campaigns with a high magnitude/ attention to public is encouraged.



- › It is mandatory to provide bills, invoices and other supporting documents with a separate project report.
- › In the case of a joint project, the net expenses borne by the Leo Club should be clearly stated.
- › After careful consideration, all Legacy projects fulfilling the above criteria will be recognized at the Leo Multiple District Conference 2026.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

42. Most Supportive Leo

- › Active support for other Leos/ Leo clubs & Leo district throughout the year

43. Most Disciplined Leo

- › Active support for Leo district throughout the year
- › Needs to maintain self-discipline and good behavior throughout the year

44. Most Outstanding District Unit Member

- › Active support for Leo district throughout the year
- › Leo club should be active and in good standing
- › Outstanding performance within club as well in addition to district level contribution

45. Most Outstanding District Council Officer

- › Active support for Leo district throughout the year
- › Being a project chairperson/ project secretary/project treasurer in district level projects
- › Leo club should be active and in good standing
- › Outstanding performance within club as well in addition to district level contribution

46. Most Popular District Council Officer

- › Being popular among the Leos of the district and active support for other Leos/ Leo clubs & Leo district throughout the year.



47. Most Outstanding District Activity Director

- › Active support for Leo district throughout the year.
- › Needs to fulfill the goals mentioned by the District President
- › Leo club should be active and in good standing
- › Outstanding performance within club as well in addition to district level contribution

48. Most Popular Leo

- › Will be selected based on a vote from Leo Club members at Leo District Conference.
- › The winner from each District Conference will be enrolled in the selection at Leo Multiple District Conference.

49. Most Outstanding New Leo of the Year

- › Must be a Leo who is inducted in the current Leoistic year and is registered in MyLCI.
- › Must have chaired Club projects and have gained exposure to Club, District and Multiple District through active participation.
- › Outstanding performance in Club/District/Multiple District level.

50. Most Outstanding Digital Transformation Champion

- › Should have demonstrated leadership in implementing IT solutions or digital tools that have significantly improved Leo Club operations or communications.
- › Circulating the results of IT projects to the District Council/Leos via email or digital platforms will be considered as official.
- › Quality (Effective, user-friendly and innovative IT solutions), consistency, and the reach or impact of the IT initiatives.
- › Leo Clubs are encouraged to use various platforms (E.g. social media, club websites, digital tools) to maximize the impact of their IT solutions.
- › Outstanding performance in Club/District/Multiple District levels in IT-related initiatives.
- › Contribution of his/her knowledge, time and effort in coding and programming related to developing features or sections in the MyLeo platform and projects in MyLeo developer community is considered as an added advantage.



51. Most Outstanding Bulletin Editor

- › Should have published at least 5 Leo Club newsletters.
- › Circulating date to District Council/Leos via email will be considered as published date.
- › Quality (Visually appealing with rich Leo content), consistency and the reach of the publications.
- › Leo Clubs are encouraged to use as much as platforms to gain the reach of the Newsletter (Eg. Social media & publishing platforms)
- › Outstanding performance in Club/District/Multiple District levels.

52. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Treasurer

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 53 (*Most Outstanding Club Treasurer*)

53. Most Outstanding Club Treasurer

- › Timely submission of treasurer reports.
- › Proper accounts and ledgers should be maintained accurately and timely. The quality and technical accuracy of accounts will be evaluated.
- › Original bills and invoices must be properly maintained.
- › Omega Clubs - Maintaining two bank accounts, administration and project.
- › Alpha Clubs - Maintaining one bank account or two, however they should maintain two financial accounts separately.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels.

54. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Secretary

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 55 (*Most Outstanding Club Secretary*)



55. Most Outstanding Club Secretary

- › Timely submission of secretary reports.
- › Monitoring Club administration, membership retention and growth.
- › Timely submission of reports to District, Multiple District and sponsoring Lions Club.
- › Maintaining updated web content and social media content.
- › Timely monitoring of LCI inclusions/exclusions and conducting international reporting via MyLion.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels.

56. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Vice President

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 57 (*Most Outstanding Club Vice President*)

57. Most Outstanding Club Vice President

- › Active support to the president in Club operations throughout the year.
- › Leo Club should be active and in good standing.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels.

58. Most Outstanding Alpha Club Immediate Past President

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 59 (*Most Outstanding Club Immediate Past President*)

59. Most Outstanding Club Immediate Past President

- › Active support and guidance to the president in Club operations throughout the year.
- › Leo Club should be active and in good standing.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels.



60. Most Outstanding Multiple Council Officer

- › Active support for Leo Multiple District throughout the year.
- › Being a project chairperson/ project secretary/project treasurer in Multiple District level projects.
- › Leo Club should be active and in good standing.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District level as well in addition to Multiple District level contribution.

61. Most Outstanding Alpha Leo Scholar (Winner only)

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 62 (*Most Outstanding Leo Scholar*)

62. Most Outstanding Leo Scholar (Winner only)

- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District.
- › High achievements in academics/extracurricular activities during the current Leoistic year.
- › Necessary proof should be provided on academics/extracurricular achievements during the time specified.
- › A brief profile of the award nominee must be sent along with the nomination form.

63. Most Outstanding Leo Executive (Winner only)

- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District.
- › High achievements in career progression/other organizational activities during the current Leoistic year.
- › Necessary proof should be provided of career progression/job enhancement during the time specified.
- › A brief profile of the award nominee must be sent along with the nomination form.



64. *Most Outstanding Leo Entrepreneur (Winner only)*

- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District.
- › Demonstrated progress in business development, innovation, or market expansion during the current Leoistic year, with supporting evidence.
- › Notable awards, partnerships, or impactful roles taken up in entrepreneurial or social ventures during the specified period.
- › A short summary of the entrepreneur's background, business journey and key accomplishments must accompany the nomination form.

65. *Most Outstanding Staff Advisor*

- › Active support and guidance to the club operations throughout the year.
- › Leo Club should be active and in good standing.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels by encouraging the Leos to participate.
- › Number of monthly general meetings and board meetings attended.
- › Participation in Club, District and Multiple District events.

66. *Most Outstanding Leo Club Advisor*

- › Active support and guidance to the club operations throughout the year.
- › Leo Club should be active and in good standing.
- › Outstanding performance within Club/District/Multiple District levels by encouraging the Leos to participate.
- › Number of monthly general meetings and board meetings attended.
- › Participation in Club, District and Multiple District events.



67. *Most Outstanding Leo Lion*

- › This award category is exclusively for Leo Lions aged between 18 and 30 years.
- › Led at least **one** major Leo Lion serving together project in the past year that addressed a real community need.
- › Participated in local, national or international Leo/Lion events, forums or trainings.
- › Introduced new Leos to Leo movement or current Leos to Leo-Lions movement.
- › Promoted Leo Lion movement through awareness programs.

CLUB AWARDS

68. *Best IT-enabled Leo Club*

- › This will be evaluated on how Clubs have used technology to bring creativity and innovation into their projects and the Club.
- › Maintenance of updated web content and social media content.
- › Availability of constant updates about the Club activity, by using technology.

69. *Leo Club with Highest Net-Membership Growth*

- › Positive net membership growth during the current Leoistic year (Joined Date, **1st of August 2025** to 30th of April, 2026)
- › All members registered in MyLCI, MyLeo and remained in good standing.
- › The dues should be paid for all members of the Leo Club who are on the membership list.

70. *Best Administered Leo Club*

- › On-time submission of Leo72/MyLion Officer Registration and held Club installation within the first quarter.
- › 100% MyLion Reporting.
- › Positive net membership growth during the year.
- › Club general meetings and board meetings conducted consistently. (Only 40% of the virtual meetings are acceptable.)



- › Quorum of the meeting must exceed. (I.e. 50%)
- › Completed all required official visits of the District/Multiple District officers.
- › Quality documentation and on-time report submission.
- › On-time District/Multiple District due submissions.
- › Conducted Club orientation program or new members received proper orientation.
- › The accurate maintenance of Club financial records and maintenance of bank account/s.
- › Adherence to administration and reporting standards set by the Multiple District. (Under the agreement of District presidents)
- › Reporting at the parent Lions club's meetings and District Council general meetings.
- › Leo advisor remains active and engaged.
- › Applied/received at least one international banner patch. (The automated reply received from the International after submitting will be accepted as proof.)



KEY AWARDS

71. Most Outstanding New Leo Club

- › Leo Club was inaugurated and installed during the current Leoistic year.
- › Leo Club remains active and in good standing.
- › Received at least two orientations before the club's inauguration.
- › Maintenance of good administration standards (Refer to the specification of Section 62, *Best Administered Leo Club award*)
- › Completed at least ten service projects or a considerable amount of activity since the date of inauguration. (Whichever is applicable)
- › Outstanding performance in District/Multiple District levels.

72. Winner of the District Contest

- › Leo club remains active and in good standing
- › Needs to achieve highest marks from District Contest at the end of the Leoistic year

73. Top 10 Leo Clubs of the District

- › Refer the Section 81 (*Most Outstanding Leo club*)
- › Top 10 Leo clubs will be recognized at the District Conference at the end of the Leoistic year

74. Top 10 Leo Club Presidents of the District

- › Refer the Section 77 (*Most Outstanding Club President*)
- › Top 10 Leo Club presidents will be recognized at the District Conference at the end of the Leoistic Year

75. Top 10 Leos

- › Refer the Section 82 (*Leo of the Year Award*)
- › Top 10 Leos will be recognized at the District Conference at the end of the Leoistic year

76. Most Outstanding Alpha Club President

- › Should be a Leo from an Alpha based Leo Club.
- › Refer the Section 77 (*Most Outstanding Club President*)



77. Most Outstanding Club President

- › Leo Club remains active and in good standing.
- › Maintenance of good administration standards. (Refer to the specifications in Section 70, Best Administered Leo Club)
- › The club should have conducted at least ten service projects.
- › Completed all the required monthly general and board meetings during the year, with the quorum.
- › It should be noted that the requirement to hold all the Meetings is compulsory. However, the requirement of a quorum is not required for every meeting but is needed for the majority of the meetings.
- › Having knowledge of the Constitution & Bylaws, Robert's rules of order.
- › The Leo Club president must have personally introduced one or more new members to the Leo Club prior to the end of the Leoistic year.
- › Actively supported to District/Multiple District events.
- › Leo Club must have conducted at least one major fundraising project.
- › Presence in District council meetings, and in parent Lions Club monthly meetings.
- › The Leo Club must have conducted at least one orientation for their Club members individually or jointly with zone or region.
- › Able to maintain unity and a high level of motivation within the club.



78. Most Outstanding Community-based Omega Leo Club

- › Leo Club should be based outside a university or an institute.
- › Leo Club remains active and in good standing.
- › Maintenance of good administration standards. (Refer to the specifications in Section 70, *Best Administered Leo Club*)
- › All Leo Club key officers (Including Leo Advisor) remain active throughout the year.
- › Actively supported to District/Multiple District events.
- › Leo Club must have conducted at least one major fundraising project.
- › The Leo Club must have conducted at least one orientation for their Club members individually or jointly with zone or region.
- › High participation level from the majority of Club members in Club events.
- › Outstanding performance at District/Multiple District level.

79. Most Outstanding University/Institute based Omega Leo Club

- › Leo Club should be based within and registered under a university or an institute.
- › Refer to the same specifications in Section 78. (*The most outstanding Community-based Omega Leo Club*)

80. Most Outstanding School Leo Club

- › Leo Club should be based within and registered under a government or a private school.
- › Refer to the same specifications in Section 78. (*The most outstanding Community-based Omega Leo Club*)

81. Most Outstanding Leo Club

- › Refer to the same specifications in Section 78. (*The most outstanding Community-based Omega Leo Club*)
- › Either an Alpha or Omega or a university-based or a community-based Leo Club could be adjudged as the winner of this award.



82. Leo of the Year Award

- › Outstanding performance during the current Leoistic year.
- › Past performance will be an added advantage.
- › Selection will be based on criteria provided by Lions International.
- › District-level nominees must submit a special LOY nomination report to Multiple District.
- › The winner will be selected from an interview and will be approved by Multiple Council Chairperson and by Multiple District Leo Chairperson.

HONOR AWARDS

83. Leo Honor Awards (Retirements)

- › Will be awarded to Leo Club members who reach the age limit or retire from the movement for a genuine reason.
- › Should possess records of outstanding contributions towards the betterment of the Leo movement.



IMPORTANT - General Guidelines to all Projects

- Projects which are conducted phase-wise can only go up to a maximum of 3 phases during the Leoistic year.
- Projects conducted **phase-wise** can be recognized in 2 distinguished methods.
 - The projects were conducted **in different phases in an incremental development/ growth perspective.** (e.g. - Building a house where phase 1- foundation, phase 2- building walls, phase 3- roof & fittings)
 - A project can be conducted only under three phases in a given category. The phases of the project can be conducted **either in three different communities or in 3 different geographical areas or in 3 different aspects which fulfill the requirements of the category.**
- While calculating project service hours, preparation activities such as travel time, meetings, and planning **shall not be included.**
- The Multiple Evaluation Committee only considers the highest impact, the scope, the quality & the sustainability of the project.
- Measuring Service Impact can be determined as per the guidelines provided by the Lions Club International and the global best practices. For more information visit:
<https://www.lionsClubs.org/en/v2/resource/download/106045475%20>
- All projects should be submitted via MyLeo Portal, and no other method will be accepted by the Leo District Evaluations.

“Projects are driven by purpose, not prizes. Awards may follow, but the real reward is the impact we make.”