

Kansas MD 17 Lions Youth exchange program

Youth exchange program was introduced in 1961 by LCI. Since its establishment, there has been over a thousand of youth who have been welcomed in host families in Kansas. Unlike most exchange programs, the lions are not involved in tourism, academic studies or employment. Instead, the students participate in everyday life in another cultures. Residing with a host family, they observe and have an opportunity to create new friends and become ambassadors for an international understanding. They meet and share cultural viewpoints making friends for a life time.

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS:

The success of the program is a result of cooperations between many people. How to get started.

For an exchange: The participate request sponsorship from a local Lions club to become a Lions youth exchangee or: a Lions club seeks a young people to participate as youth exchangees. Clubs may require special requirements to exchange. Grants, scholarships, and sponsorships will be needed to help with financial needs. Further information will provided by youth exchange chairman.

To Host: Requirements are to provide room and meals for the durations of the exchange. * Applications are required to help with the placement of the youth. These youth have their own spending money and health insurance. Contact your District or State Youth exchange chairman for brochures and further explanation of the

exchange program. Host do not have to be a Lions member.

Participating Countries: Australia, Finland, France, Italy, Peru, and Japan

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