

**JANUARY 2021 DISTRICT NEWSLETTER**



***TRIBUTE TO DISTRICT 11-E1'S OUTSTANDING LION KARLA ROEBUCK***

*Karla Roebuck passed to the Lord on December 30, 2020. She was one of District 11-E1's most active, outstanding Lion. Karla was always there to help and contributed many hours to Lionism on a local and District level. She will be missed.*

Karla joined the Chippewa Lake Lions Club in 2004, the same year she was elected Club President. She served as Club President until 2009. She served as Club Secretary for 12 years from 2009-2020. Karla was the Club's Webmaster and combined that position with other publicity and marketing duties. She was active in the merger process when the Chippewa Lake Club merged with Mecosta in 2014 to become the Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions Club, Karla took over the task of scheduling the dozens of volunteers needed for the Food Wagon. She served as the Club's Marketing and Communications Chair. Karla served as a club officer and learned about Lionism by attending and participating in Zone meetings, Cabinet meetings, the Lions Leadership Institute, and District 11-E1 conventions every year since 2005. At that time, she was appointed to the District Information Technology Committee and served as Committee Chair and District Webmaster since 2008 when she was tasked with completely rebuilding the District Website. She also served on the District 11-E1 Publications Advisory Committee, District Social Media Chair, and as the District Public Relations and Lions Information Committee Chair, which led to State involvement on those committees. She served the District as a Zone Chair and Region Chair. Karla participated in computer training sessions at State Conventions as well as the Michigan Forum over the years and ran a computer lab with her team of trainers at every District 11-E1 Convention since 2006. She was a trainer for Secretaries at District Officer Trainings offered across the district since 2015. Since 2017, she prepared the program for the Memorial Service at District Conventions. Karla served as State chair of the Information Technology Committee. She assisted the District 11-E1 Defense Against Diabetes grant administrator with computer work on brochures, business cards, and the DAD pin and then was selected as the State of Michigan Defense Against Diabetes Grant webmaster for the 2019/2020 grant duration.

Awards and honors have been many and each honor touched Karla's heart and solidifies her resolve to continue to "Serve" in any way she could. The honors include various District Governor appreciation awards, International President Leadership award, International President Certificate of Appreciation, Membership and sponsorship awards, and the International President's New Voices award for Marketing. She was awarded the Ken Lautzenheiser Fellowship award twice. In 2010 at the State Convention on Mackinac Island, Karla was presented with a Mother Teresa Humanitarian Award.

Karla retired from being an Associate Broker at Greenridge Realty Oakmont in Big Rapids, MI. She and her husband Lion Bob had 3 grown sons who all grew up with a spirit of volunteerism. They have served as trainers on the District IT Committee, and all joined the Lions Club. Randal and Tyler are computer techs and Jared is in Mechanical Engineering. Jared has attended almost all District Conventions since he was 5 years old, went to Spain with the Lions Youth Exchange program and joined the Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions club on his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Lionism is a family affair! "We Serve" is not only the Lions Motto, it is Karla's family motto.

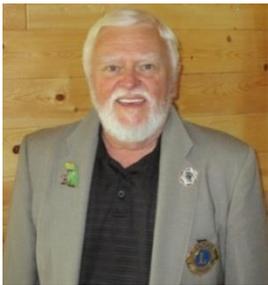


## DISRICT GOVERNOR BILL KOCH'S MESSAGE HAPPY NEW YEAR LIONS!

We are starting a new year with hope and prayers in our hearts that this terrible affliction to the world will soon be over. We have many members that have been ill this year. We ask your thoughts and prayers for each of them. We ask all clubs to notify Lions Mike and Tina Hoy about our ill, so the District

knows about our fellow Lions. Lions, we are moving forward with the Forum; it will be virtual. We are, as of now, moving forward with our Conventions. Please plan on attending ours in Big Rapids and the multi district in Holland. We are having success in recruiting Lions. When people in the community see what Lions are doing with an innovative approach, and an enthusiasm to help people, people are joining our clubs. We had the White Cloud Lions serve around 300 hundred dinners from the Lions den. The Christmas dinner people switched gears to pick up or delivery. It used to be a sit down and talk type dinner. I know all our clubs are using their resources to still serve the community. Please let the rest of the district know what and how you changed to serve the community. The more we know how, the better we all can serve. I ask every Lion to stay positive. It is a tough thing to do, but we can do it. It is easy to say woe is me. I can't do this or that. However, we can say, I can do this a different way. People need our services more than ever! A warm meal, a phone call, a Letter. These things are who we are. LIONS = Loving Individuals Offering Need Services. To each and every Lion, Thank you for all that you do. We Are Blessed to be Lions and know Lions that serve because they love PEOPLE. This New Year will hold challenges, but we will meet them and become stronger than ever.  
***2021 LOOK OUT THE LIONS ARE COMING TO SERVE!***

District Governor Bill Koch and Lady Lion Jackie



### First Vice District Governor Bill Bradfield

Hello Lions, I hope all is well with you and your families and you are protecting yourselves from COVID-19. If you need information on testing or have other questions, once again the Hotline for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is 888-535-6136. Districts 11-A1 and 11-A2 are racing ahead with the Michigan Kidney Association on training classes in their jurisdictions. In other parts of the state MSU recently finished two PATH Classes and is about to finish a third. All of the above mentioned classes are given in the safety of your

own home online for your convenience. Our next class is January 19 and 26, February 2, 9, 16, and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021. The second class begins February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, and 25<sup>th</sup> 2021. These PATH (Personal Approach To Health) classes include: dealing with difficult emotions, setting goals, problem solving, developing a healthy eating and exercise plan, and a variety of other tools to manage diabetes. MSU is also sponsoring a free class that starts January 27, 2021 with an information session on January 13, from 8-9AM. Register at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/NDPPJan2021/>. MSU is paying for this class! No Lions funding. They are reciprocating with LCIF, this is a first!

Gary Perala recently was recognized for his DAD programs in Single District 10 by our International Lions President. Gary also has a great team of Lions assisting him as well. Please keep in mind that your fundraising can go on even under our present circumstances. You can drop a letter in the mail to some of your past donors and let them know the Lions of Michigan are still working for them on all of our state projects. I would like to thank the WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB for their donation of \$250 and Fox Motors in Cadillac for their donation of \$1,000 for diabetes. Please note that when we complete an online class there may be several districts with Lions participating. When the class is complete each district will be billed according to the number of participants they enrolled. In Midland we have some interaction with Mid-Michigan Medical Center to help them fund supplies for their operation with District 11-E2. District 11-B2 is also involved in a similar program as 11-B1. Please contact me at [hoxeyvillain@hotmail.com](mailto:hoxeyvillain@hotmail.com) or 231-222-5143 for more information or questions you may have.

**JANUARY 2021 DISTRICT 11-E1  
LION OF THE MONTH  
ROGER GILBERT**



Lion Roger Gilbert is a member of the Mt. Pleasant Lions Club. He joined the Lions in 2013 as an opportunity to serve his community. He was Mt. Pleasant's King Lion in 2019-20. He has been active in the club's activities and enjoys working with the club members. Lion Roger helped organize the Mt. Pleasant Lions 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Citizen of the Month program and has served as the Chairperson of this event for five years. The club works with the school to help pick an outstanding student each month. The student and his parents are invited to attend a Lions meeting where the student receives recognition. Roger presently serves as the Zone Chair for Region 2 Zone 1. Zone 1 has not had an opportunity to meet because of COVID, but Roger has previously been active in Zone meetings.

Roger is a retired educator, teaching 22 years as an elementary teacher and 15 years as a principal. He, also, was an MHSAA football, basketball, and softball official. He retired from officiating in 2015 after 40 years of service. He enjoys playing golf and serves as the Golf Commissioner for a small golf league two days a week. Roger volunteers at the local food pantry and serves on the Stephen Ministry Team at his church. He and his wife, Sarah, have two grown children and five grandchildren. They enjoy spending time together traveling, golfing, and biking.

CONGRATULATIONS LION ROGER GILBERT DISTRICT 11-E1's LION OF THE MONTH!  
Lion Pete Conarty, District 11-E1 GLT

***LEADERSHIP HAPPINESS IS MOVING FORWARD! RESOLUTION 2021***

The New Year is usually the time to rethink our actions, amend our goals, and try some positive new actions. 2020 was a problem year in many ways. However, it was a time to become creative and work with our Lions in different ways through social media, by telephone, written communication, and zoom to mention a few. Some clubs started a short newsletter to keep in touch with their Lions. Another feature was setting up a calling committee that called all the club members once a month to see how they were and if they needed any help. In one of our large clubs, two of the members took on the responsibility of writing a note to all their Lions. A rough year but it created many creative approaches to being members of a Lions Club. A few clubs had fundraisers with their members to keep their club active and make a few funds. One project was selling Michigan Lions Foundation calendars to members. This boomeranged as the members started calling their friends, neighbors and relatives and sold 50 calendars. Prior to Christmas, "Coats for Kids" and "Toys for Tots," was a popular club activity. Members would buy a coat or bring in a gently used coat to a designated Lion. Some were left on the doorsteps. But it kept Lions active and involved. Hopefully, 2021 will bring in a new period of wellness and peace. So that we can get back into the full swing of serving our communities and working as a team. In the meantime, remember that interaction and creativity are important to keeping our clubs strong and productive. Happy New Year! Lion Pete Conarty, District GLT

***Service Stories***

Each Lion and every club is changing lives in ways both great and small. Service is a personal journey that impacts the people serving and the people we serve. We make an effort to post club service stories under the District Club Happenings section of the Lion Pride. Has your story been shared? Contact your District Editor. Please submit your club information in Word and pictures as an attachment. Please contact us if you have any questions or comments at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354.

**Mark Your Calendars!**

April 23 & 24, 2021 we will be having our District Convention. The theme for the week-end is **"MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER"**, Governor Bill is excited to bring the district together again. We hope you save the date for fun and learning. The convention will be held at the Holiday Inn in Big Rapids. More info to come. (Registration Form below)

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**District 11-E1 Convention Registration Form**

April 23 - 24, 2021

Holiday Inn & Conference Center  
1005 Perry Ave.  
Big Rapids, MI 49307

To Make Room Reservations, call 231-796-4400, and mention Lions Convention. **(\$97 a night)**

Please print clearly and enter information for each person attending.  
Banquet is Pork Loin OR Salmon. (Mark with P for Pork, S for Salmon)

Name	Lion Guest	Registration \$10	Friday Free	Breakfast \$12	Lunch \$15	Banquet \$15	Total
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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Due by April 1, 2021 (after that the registration fee is \$15 per person)

Make checks payable to District 11- E1 Convention. (Payment must be included with form.)

**Send to:**  
**Lion Pam Schroeder**  
**P.O. Box 326**  
**Onkama, MI 49675**

# Club News

## Central Montcalm Lions



The Central Montcalm Lions made up and distributed 45 gift bags to folks in the area that recently lost a loved one. The bags contained fruit, candy, games and puzzles and a note letting them know that we were thinking about them!



## Onkama Lions

The Onkama Lions may not be meeting, but we are still serving the community. We gave \$400 to Manistee Medical Care for gifts for the residents. A \$500 check was given to the school to use for the giving tree for gifts for those most needy and seven Christmas Baskets of a full meal were given to be disbursed by the school.

King Lion Herb is in contact with all the members often.

We wish everyone a very Happy New Year.

## Hart Lions

Hart Lions are unfortunately still on shut down. Our meeting center is closed for public use until further notice.

## Manistee Lions



The Manistee Lions Club presented a check for \$250 to the Manistee County Council on Aging food pantry that supports seniors 60 years and older.

## White Cloud Lions

**White Cloud Lions** had a wonderful December. We added **five (5) new members**:

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|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Barb Hill        | sponsored by | <i>Janalee McClure</i>  |
| 2. Dale Hill        | sponsored by | <i>Janalee McClure</i>  |
| 3. Wes Houghton     | sponsored by | <i>Dawn Houghton</i>    |
| 4. Jessica Scannell | sponsored by | <i>Peggy Frank</i>      |
| 5. Becky Williams   | sponsored by | <i>Ray Williams III</i> |

Plus almost 300 people were served a FREE Christmas Day Dinner at our Lions Den. A special thank-you to all the wonderful volunteers on Christmas Day!



## Kingsley Lions



The Kingsley Lions Club has been busy throughout the year giving away 24 reconditioned bikes donated to our club by McLains Cycle & Fitness. Seventeen of the bikes went to local Preschools and Daycare Centers and 5 more bikes were given away at the Kingsley “Back to School Prep Event”. We also gave away 2 more at Christmas during the Kingsley “Drive Through” Festival.



It's been a challenge this year, as all Clubs are experiencing, to help serve our communities. We have also donated food baskets to families for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

As I type this, last night we lost Lion Karla Roebuck to COVID-19, a valuable member of our Lions Club community. As we navigate into 2021, we hope all stay safe and stay healthy. Happy New Year from the Kingsley Lions Club. Lion Debra Nickerson

## Stanwood Lions



Award for Michigan Pin Trader  
Congratulations to PDG Jim Walls for winning the 2019 LITPC Pin Contest!



## Midland Lions



Midland Lions rang the bell and manned the kettle at Kroger during the holidays on November 26 and December 4 for the Salvation Army. Over the 2 days we collected a total of \$716.39. Lion Ann Fraser



### *SENIOR CENTER CHRISTMAS DINNER* **SERVICE PROJECT**

On Wednesday December 9<sup>th</sup>, Trailside Senior Center held their Christmas dinner at which the Midland Lions assisted and also supported financially. This year, because of COVID, the dinner was a drive through pickup. The Lions assisted in logistical support, carrying meals outside, distributing meals and gifts, and collecting donations. Midland Lions participating were Pete Conarty, Al Ducham, Eldon Dean (and Mary Dean), and Jim Warheit. Thank you Lions! WE SERVE! Lion Thayre Talcott

### *"COATS FOR KIDS" & "TOYS FOR TOTS"* **SERVICE PROJECT**

#### COATS FOR KIDS, TOYS FOR TOTS BEATS TEN YEAR RECORD!



Despite 2020 being a problematic year for many people, it was our best year for our *Coats for Kids and Toys for Tots* donations. The largest number of coats that we have donated in any of the past years was 25.



This year, through your generosity, we contributed 49 coats, 4 pairs of snow pants, a number of hats and gloves and six toys to these campaigns. The pastor at the Salvation Army was so excited with our contribution that he came out to the car to help deliver the items. Thank you, Midland Lions for being involved in these donations.

"WE SERVE"! Lion Pete Conarty

## ***FREE Space to put your Club's News!***

***Please contact us to be included in the next issue of the District 11-E1 Newsletter.***

***Editors, Mike and Tina Hoy***—Please submit your club information in Word and pictures as an attachment. Please contact us at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354.

**JANUARY IS BRAILLE LITERACY MONTH**  
**JANUARY IS HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH**

**LCIF WEEK is JANUARY 11-15, 2021**

***Happy Birthday Lion Melvin Jones—January 13, 1870***

# District Projects

## Lions of Michigan Foundation

The trustees of our District are ready to come visit your club and do a presentation. Give them a call and get a date set.

Please keep the donations to the foundation coming, it helps furnish hearing aids, glasses and emergency relief. We hope to have the KidSight program back up and running by spring.

## Used Hearing Aid Donations

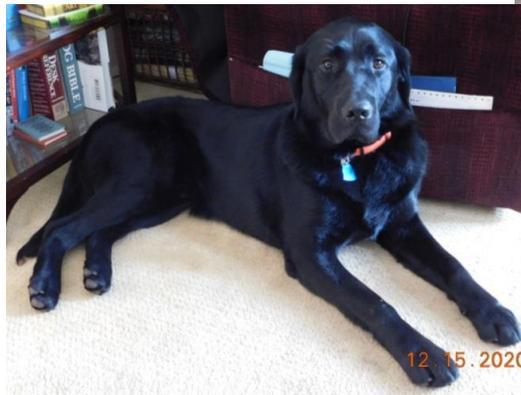
Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps. Lions Pete or Pam, your zone chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.



We are “pawing” in-person **PAWS** presentations until further notice. This is due to Winter weather, COVID - 19 and Lion Mike will be in training with his new **PAWS** dog. Cowboy arrived on December 10, 2020!



Lions Mike & Tina Hoy, **PAWS**  
District 11E-1 Project Co-Chairs  
[hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354  
**PAWS contact:** 616-877-7297 or  
[www.pawswithacause.org](http://www.pawswithacause.org)



Rochester Hills, Mich., October 28, 2020 - Leader Dogs for the Blind, located in Southeast Michigan since 1939, announced today that they are launching a free virtual seminar for people who are 18 - 24 years old, legally blind or visually impaired, and from the U.S. and Canada. T.O.M. Talks focuses on three areas of importance for people who are blind: Technology, Orientation and Mobility. The seminar is free and will be held January 17-30, 2021. Participants will develop skills needed to thrive in their career including increased independent travel, professional readiness and networking. A variety of experts from Leader Dogs for the Blind will present including guide dog mobility instructors and orientation & mobility specialists. “People in the 18-24

age groups tend to have very busy schedules,” said Erica Ihrke, Leader Dog’s manager of extended services, “so we designed this program to be partially self-guided and partially live. Our goal is for everyone to be able to achieve success.” There are four required live ZOOM sessions and two optional weekend sessions. The self-guided portion of the curriculum includes videos and activities supported with materials sent prior to the T.O.M. Talks. To apply for T.O.M. Talks go to [www.leaderdog.org/programs/tom-talks/](http://www.leaderdog.org/programs/tom-talks/). Applications are due by 5:00 pm (EST) on Monday, December 12, 2020. For additional information, visit [www.leaderdog.org/programs/tom-talks/](http://www.leaderdog.org/programs/tom-talks/) or contact Kristy Plesscher, Certified Orientation & Mobility Specialist at (248) 659-5009.

*Mark Your Calendars!*

2020-21 Parade of Checks  
February 14, 2021  
White Cloud Lions Den



- \* Bear Lake Camp
- \* Leader Dogs for the Blind
- \* Michigan Eversight
- \* Lions of MI All State Band
- \* Lions of MI Service Foundation
- \* PAWS with a Cause
- \* Project KidSight
- \* Lions Clubs International Foundation

The Parade of Checks will be held during the  
Cabinet Meeting 2-14-2021 at 2:00.

Meeting to be held both in person and via zoom.

If your club is not able to attend in person please send your  
8 checks or pledges made out to each of the service projects to:

Peggy Frank 21899 22 Mile Rd, Paris, MI 49338

The checks will be reported and sent to the Service Projects



# LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 EXECUTIVE DRIVE - LANSING, MICHIGAN 48911

VOICE: 517 887-6640 FAX: 517 887-6642 WEB: [www.lmsf.net](http://www.lmsf.net)

December 1, 2020

Dear Michigan Lion:

On June 28, 2018, Governor Rick Snyder signed Public Act 255, creating a Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund within the Michigan Department of Treasury to assist our foundation in collecting donations to help improve the quality of life of people in our state with unmet needs. Public Act 255 of 2018 added our Lions of Michigan Foundation to the list of only nine Michigan charities eligible to receive donations directly from Michigan tax payers when they file their annual state income tax return.

As each qualified charity is required to collect \$50,000 in donations annually through this special program to guarantee eligibility for the future, we are asking for any help that you can provide to ensure that we remain eligible. Just a donation of \$5 to \$10 to our foundation from each Michigan Lions member or a family member or friend on the Michigan Voluntary Contribution Schedule (MI Form 4642) would ensure that we cannot be removed from the list of qualified charities.

Since 1984, our Lions of Michigan Foundation has operated programs that address serious human needs in our state. By working in partnership with our Michigan Lions Clubs and other community service organizations and charities, we provide disadvantaged Michigan families with access to affordable eye care, hearing aids and services aimed at helping people succeed academically and socially, gain and retain employment, maintain independence and prosper in life. We support our member Lions Clubs and their communities to help make them stronger and more viable.

Our foundation provides funding for equipment, supplies and program expenses for Project KidSight and the resources necessary for our Michigan Lions to help children suffering from vision loss. Through our Emergency Individual Assistance Program, our foundation helps military families and veterans who have emergency needs, and we help people who suffer from severe vision and hearing disorders that can only be corrected through surgical intervention or costly medical procedures. Through our Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Program, our foundation helps low-income people who suffer from hearing loss maintain self-sufficiency. And, through our Emergency Disaster Relief Program, we help families affected by natural disasters, including severe storms, flooding, fires and tornados.

We greatly appreciate any support that you and your family members and friends can provide to assist us in raising the \$50,000 required to remain as one of the charities eligible to receive donations through Michigan income tax return filings. With your help, we can continue to play a significant role in solving the social, economic and health care issues facing our state.

Sincerely yours,

Pam Schroeder  
President

Chad McCann  
Executive Director

Enclosures

## A Public Charity

*Dedicated to improving the quality of life of people in Michigan with unmet needs.*

## 2020 MICHIGAN Voluntary Contributions Schedule

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use this schedule to make a donation from your refund to any of the organizations listed below. If you are not receiving a refund, your donation will increase your tax due. Check the box associated with the dollar amount you wish to contribute in columns A or B or enter a specific dollar amount greater than \$10 in the space provided in column C. Enter the total of your contribution for each line in column D. For detailed descriptions of each fund, see the reverse side of this form. Include with Form MI-1040.

Type or print in blue or black ink.

**Attachment 18**

Filer's First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Filer's Full Social Security No. (Example: 123-45-6789) — —
If a Joint Return, Spouse's First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Spouse's Full Social Security No. (Example: 123-45-6789) — —

	A.	B.	C. Other Amount (greater than \$10)	D. Total Contribution
1. American Red Cross Michigan Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	1. <input type="text" value="00"/>
2. Animal Welfare Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	2. <input type="text" value="00"/>
3. Children's Trust Fund - Prevent Child Abuse Michigan.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	3. <input type="text" value="00"/>
4. Fostering Futures Scholarship Trust Fund ..	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	4. <input type="text" value="00"/>
5. Kiwanis Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	5. <input type="text" value="00"/>
6. <b>Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund .....</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$10</b>	<b>\$ <input type="text" value="00"/></b>	<b>6. <input type="text" value="00"/></b>
7. Michigan World War II Legacy Memorial Fund .....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	7. <input type="text" value="00"/>
8. Military Family Relief Fund .....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	8. <input type="text" value="00"/>
9. United Way Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <input type="text" value="00"/>	9. <input type="text" value="00"/>
10. Add column D, lines 1 through 9. Enter total of column D here and carry amount to your MI-1040, line 22.....				10. <input type="text" value="00"/>

This form must be included with your MI-1040 to ensure your contributions are properly credited to the designated fund(s).

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## Instructions for Form 4642, Voluntary Contributions Schedule

Michigan taxpayers can contribute \$5, \$10, or more to any of the following funds on the *Voluntary Contributions Schedule* (Form 4642). **Contributions to these funds will increase your tax liability or reduce your refund.**

### American Red Cross Michigan Fund

The American Red Cross is always there for you and your community, helping to alleviate suffering caused by disasters big and small. The Red Cross shelters, and provides emotional support to Michigan residents and beyond; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. By mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors, the Red Cross responds to more than 60,000 disasters annually. In Michigan, last year more than 6,000 volunteers logged more than 200,000 hours assisting others. On average 91 cents of every dollar the Red Cross spends is invested in humanitarian services.

### Animal Welfare Fund

The outside world can be a harsh, scary place for homeless pets. And throughout Michigan, small towns and big cities alike struggle to find the resources they need to provide medical care to the animals they rescue. Through the Animal Welfare Fund, the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) offers grants to Michigan's registered animal shelters to help support spaying and neutering programs for shelter dogs and cats up for adoption. Grants also help support many anti-cruelty and proper care programs around the state. Shelters also use grant monies from your generous donations to help care for animals that are seized as part of animal cruelty cases.

### Children's Trust Fund - Prevent Child Abuse Michigan

The Children's Trust Fund (CTF) supports services throughout Michigan to prevent child abuse and neglect. CTF funds home visitation services; respite care; services for families with incarcerated family members; and parenting education and support. CTF supports a statewide network of local Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Councils. Examples of local Council work are teaching professionals about mandated reporting; teaching parents and caregivers about infant head trauma prevention and infant safe sleep practices; and establishing baby pantries to provide diapers, formula, and clothing. In the coming year, CTF and its local Councils will lead statewide efforts to build local responses to the opioid crisis.

### Fostering Futures Scholarship Trust Fund

Fostering Futures Scholarship provides scholarships to young adults who have experienced foster care to help them achieve a college education. Approximately 13,500 students are in the Michigan foster care system and many students do not have family support after they age out of the system. Nationally, about 75 percent of students express a desire to attend college, less than 10 percent enroll in college and less than three percent graduate college. Scholarships are awarded via an application process and paid directly to the students' college or university to assist with tuition, fees, room, board, books and supplies. For more information visit [www.fosteringfutures-mi.com](http://www.fosteringfutures-mi.com).

### Kiwanis Fund

Kids need Kiwanis! Kiwanis clubs around the world, work to impact the lives of the children and families within their communities through leadership programs, hunger prevention, scholarships, reading programs, grants and so much more. Every Kiwanis club is unique because we cater our programs to the unique needs of the kids in our local communities. Your donation will be given to a club in your area and used entirely for our programs, keeping your contribution and its impact local. For more information about Kiwanis, go to [www.MiKiwanis.org](http://www.MiKiwanis.org)

### Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund

**The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a Public Charity that was created in the early 1980's to help Lions Clubs provide services in Michigan communities. The organization is dedicated to the improvement of the quality of life of people in Michigan with unmet needs. The Lions of Michigan Foundation works together with Michigan Lions Clubs and other charities to deliver services aimed at helping children and adults with sight and hearing deficiencies excel in school, retain employment and maintain self-sufficiency. For more information, visit [www.lmsf.net](http://www.lmsf.net) or write [info@lmsf.net](mailto:info@lmsf.net).**

### The Michigan WWII Legacy Memorial Fund

Honor Michigan residents who served in World War II. Officially recognized as the state's tribute to its contributions during the war, the memorial will span three quarters of an acre and provide a year-round destination to tell Michigan's unique story and educate future generations. More than 600,000 Michigan residents served on the war front while countless others served on the home front producing necessary planes, tanks Jeeps and K-rations. Help us pay tribute to the legacy of Michigan's Greatest Generation who sacrificed so all are inspired by the values, ideals and deeds that ensured our freedom today. The goal for dedication is 2020. The time to support is now. Don't let our heroes fade away. [www.michiganww2memorial.org](http://www.michiganww2memorial.org)

### Military Family Relief Fund

The Military Family Relief Fund provides grants to qualifying families of military members in either the Michigan National Guard or Reserves who are called to active duty as a result of the national response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

### United Way Fund

Contributions to the United Way Fund (of America) will be used to improve the lives of Michigan residents by mobilizing the caring power of communities to provide for basic needs, including, but not limited to, food, clothing, and shelter.