2021 ACLENet Highlights

and ANNUAL REPORT



Lightning Safety Goes Global

ACLENet led multiple international lightning safety conferences

These commemorated International Lightning Safety Day on 28 June 2021

Participants from 38 countries and 15 time zones were active online

This was the tenth anniversary of the 2011 Runyanya school disaster

In this Uganda event, 18 children were killed and 38 hospitalized

This disaster catalyzed the formation of ACLENet



Since 2014, lightning safety advocacy programs have grown from two to more than ten around the world!

ACLENet Board of Directors Expanded

The Board of Directors was expanded to guide the growth of ACLENet

Individuals who support ACLENet are taking the lead in

--fundraising

--developing educational materials for schools, teachers, and staff

--newsletter redesign

--working with Uganda government

--financial management and policies, and other areas





Polytech and Engineers without Borders Fund Mongoyo School Protection

Polytech and Engineers without Borders in Denmark funded the protection of an entire school complex

This school in northeast Uganda had three children killed and dozens injured by lightning in 2021

ACLENet's Lightning Protection Working Group designed the system

- Phase 1 completed in 2021
- Phases 2 and 3 to be completed in 2022





Two Mass Casualty Incidents Reported on to Uganda Government

ACLENet reported on the investigations of incidents at Mongoyo and Arua schools at seminars with primary and secondary school officials from Uganda

The Honorable Hilary Onek, Minister for Disaster Preparedness with the Government of Uganda attended these reports







Public Service Announcement Broadcast in Luganda Language Funded by Rotary Club in Netherlands In 2020, a short <u>Public Service</u>

<u>Announcement</u> with basic lightning information (PSA) was broadcast in English

In 2021, it was translated into Luganda and broadcast to the rural population. Luganda is the most widely spoken indigenous language in Uganda

Fundraising Videos and Testimonials -

Use links to learn why these donors support ACLENet

Their endorsements increased donations to 175%!

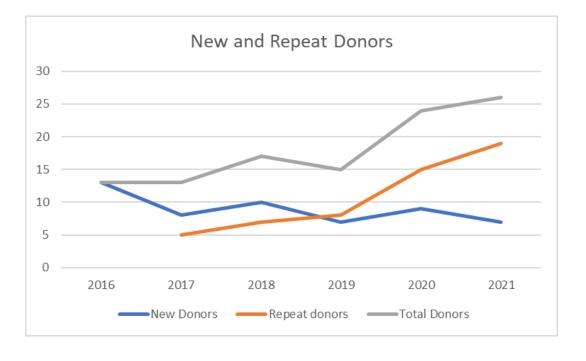
Walt Lyons, PhD, Past President of the American Meteorological Society

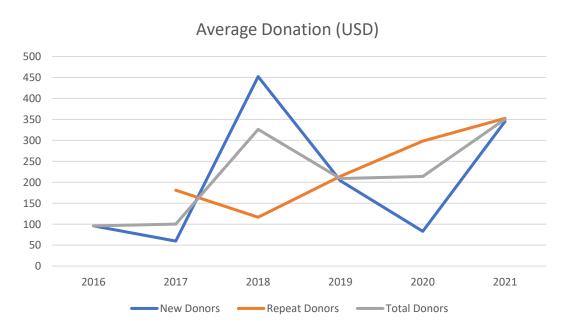
Barbara Wolters, Retired teacher, lightning survivor

Marvin Wayne, MD, Emergency physician

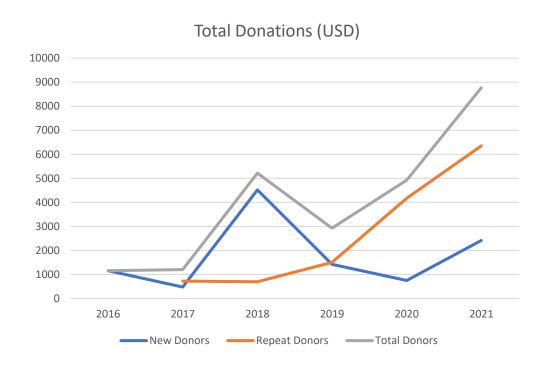
Ronald L. Holle, meteorologist, ACLENet Board member, lightning researcher

Rick O'Keefe, Moderator of the Power Quality / Lightning Protection Listserv with over 3000 members worldwide





Donor Analysis 2016-21



Income and Expenses - 2021

Income		Expenses	
Individual Donors	8,763	Administration	7,508
Anonymous	10,000	Fundraising	6,412
Grants / Contracts		Programs	
Leuthold Family	20,000	School Protection	36,535
Netherlands Rotary	1,000	Public Education	6,170
Polytech LP	21,074	Research	1,200
Total	\$60,837	Total	\$57,865

Aggressive 2022 Goal by ACLENet Staff:

Visit each school that ACLENet has protected

- Teach surrounding school officials about lightning and lightning safety
- Show lightning protection installed on a school using accepted international standards
- Encourage local school officials to lobby the Ugandan government to protect their schools
- Tell how to teach lightning safety to their communities
- Teach school officials at protected schools how to periodically inspect and maintain the lightning protection systems and send reports to ACLENet

• Be prepared for appeals to fund these vital programs!

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