

SHEFANIE VIN
LEO-LION BOARD LIAISON

Shefanie Vin, from Paramaribo, Suriname, was appointed by International President Douglas X. Alexander to serve as a Leo-Lion Board Liaison of Lions Clubs International from 2021 through 2022.

Lions has had a great influence on Shefanie's life beginning from her mother—an active Lion—and her husband—a former Leo. She advocates the importance of maintaining a healthy life balance between service, family, career/education and is dedicated to expanding access to leadership roles for the younger generation in the association.

Shefanie joined the Gado-Tjo Leo Club in 2010 where she served as an Omega Leo through 2018. She is currently serving with the Paramaribo FOCUS Lions Club, which she chartered with the help of two Leo-Lions.

As part of the Leo program, Shefanie has served in a number of leadership roles including club president and was appointed as Leo Associate for Suriname, where she coordinated the efforts of six Leo clubs and organized regional meetings and service activities. She has also held a number of offices within the association including charter club president, club membership chairperson, district and multiple district Leo chairperson, district GMT coordinator and NAMI Champion.

As a Leo-Lion Board Liaison, Shefanie will focus on expanding opportunities for Leos and Leo-Lions by ensuring that the voices of young members are heard. She will continue to raise awareness for the Leo-Lion program and address new opportunities for strengthening diversity in membership through recruitment, retention and multi-generation volunteerism.

Shefanie holds a master's degree in management science with a specialization in financial decision making. She is currently a financial specialist for the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) to provide financial management services to the Project Execution Unit (PEU) for the execution of the two Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) Government Loans and an EU Grant.