# Dragstrip Profits Help Area Charities

## Glendale Claims More People, But Torrance Gets the Money

Torrance and Glendale still may be arguing about which is the county's third largest city, but the state has decided the issue — in favor of Torrance — where it counts.

It counts most when the state dispurses monies — motor vehicle fees in this instance — among the cities and counties. And Torrance will get an apportionment based on an estimated population of 139,000. Glendale's population is es-

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Glendale's population is estimated at 135,600 by the state, and that means the city will get \$71,880.65 as its share of the first apportionment of the motor vehicle license fees.
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Torrance, by contrast, will get \$73,682.53, or almost \$2,000 more than Glendale.

State Controller Alan Cranston announced the apportionment in Sacramento. He noted the payment is the first of three to be made during fiscal 1965-66 to the state's cities and counties.

The formula used to distribute the monies among the cities is based on population

and allows 53 cents for each resident. At that rate, the increase of 6,000 persons over the Los Angeles Regional Commission estimates gives Torrance more than \$3,000 in additional monies — and that's nearly six times the \$545 cost of the population estimate made by the state last fall.

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Counties also share in the motor vehicle license fees—to the tune of 39 cents for each person. Los Angeles County received a total of \$2,686,708.42.

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Lomita, \$10,114.18; Redondo Beach, \$26,557.67; Gardena, \$23,536.15; Palos Verdes Estates, \$6,387.63; Rolling Hills, \$999.23, and Rolling Hills Estates, \$2,500.45.

Also receiving funds from the dispursements were: Compton, \$40,605.15; Hawthorne, \$22,714.50; Hermosa Beach, \$9,170.57; Inglewood, \$46,171.04; and Manhattan Beach, \$18,871.31.



### Lions Donate \$51,250 To Charities in Area

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Torrance Lions Club have do-1 nated \$700 to the Torrance YWCA. The presentation was made by Newell Larsen, Lions Club president, at a banquet celebrating the 11th anniversary of the Harbor Area Drag Strip, Inc.
The check, which represents the local club's share of dividends from operation of the drag strip, was presented to former postmaster Mrs. Clara Conner, president of the board of directors of the YWCA.

The Lions drag strip hit a new high in its series of annual contributions to charity, Larsen said. Checks totaling \$51,250 were presented to the Salvation Army, San Pedro Boys Club, Long Beach Retarded Children's Foundation, City of Hope, Foundation for the Junior Blind.

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The government considers the drag strip a profit making organization, according to Allen Perry, president of the board. As a result state, federal, and local taxes amounting to \$57,000 were paid.

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lists for the previous year.
There are the Pulitzer prizes in writing, the Golden Globe and Academy Awards in entertainment, the designers put out their "best dressed" lists, and so on and infinitum. Looking back over 1965 I have chosen what I think were the best "pennies" answers of the year. My choices were not based on whether I agreed or disagreed with the opinions expressed, but because they impressed me with their originality, humor, or clearness of thought. Here then are the best answers:

("Innocent" bystanders and





