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Application to Receive Funds

The Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic has raised over \$1 million to date and has financially assisted several community organizations to provide much needed services to residents living in the Town of Aurora. Recipient selection is conducted annually by the application review and disbursement committee of the Town of Aurora Mayor's Charity Golf Classic and is based on the information provided in this application.

Funding Criteria and guidelines;

- Individual applicants and community groups must demonstrate financial hardship or a limited means to retain funds in another manner. Individual applications demonstrating financial hardship will be kept confidential.
- Individuals and organizations may not receive funding for more than two consecutive years.
- Funding requests for more than \$5,000 in a calendar year will not be accepted.
- Funding requests for more than 50% of an initiative will not be considered and applicants must demonstrate how the remaining funds will be or have been obtained
- Applications should demonstrate a benefit to the residents of the Town of Aurora that receiving the funding will provide
- Successful applicants will be required to report back in any way they deem appropriate regarding the utilization of funds within six (6) months of receiving funds

Name of Individual or Community Group *

Hill House Hospice

Address

Street Number and Name *

36 Wright Street

City/ Town *

Richmond Hill

Province *

Ontario

Postal Code *

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Contact Information

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On a separate document, please outline your initiative and any supporting documentation you have. The information being provided should align with the funding criteria guidelines found above. Please attach your documentation with this this form.



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Hill House Hospice: 2025 Walk for Compassionate Care

I am writing to formally apply for support from the Town of Aurora for our upcoming annual Walk for Hill House Hospice, scheduled for Sunday, May 25, 2025 (www.walkforhillhousehospice.com). This year's event, proudly presented by Canso Investment Counsel Ltd., aims to rally support for our mission of delivering expert medical care and unwavering compassion to individuals facing life-limiting illnesses. Hill House has no municipal boundaries and our patients include residents of the Town of Aurora, which does not have a residential hospice within its borders.

As the first residential hospice in York Region and the second built in Ontario, Hill House Hospice proudly serves 120 patients annually, alongside their families and caregivers. Our commitment to inclusivity allows us to welcome people without prejudice or discrimination based on race, ethnicity, culture, religion, abilities, gender, or sexual orientation. Beyond the traditional medical approach, we include alternative therapies to promote holistic wellness. Our caring complementary therapists provide patients and families with music therapy, aromatherapy, reiki, therapeutic touch, reflexology and more recently dog therapy. They help manage pain and symptoms, decrease anxiety, help with relaxation, create an outlet for emotional expression, provide a connection to others and help decrease feelings of isolation.

Hill House Hospice plays a pivotal role for hospice care in York Region. While our operational funding is partially supported by the provincial government's Ministry of Health, the remaining 50% must be sourced through community contributions. Through initiatives like our annual Walk and the generosity of donors, we can continue to provide our end-of-life services at no cost for our patients, including vital support for caregivers. We remain accessible to all, regardless of their financial circumstances.

Despite recent economic and fundraising challenges for charities including the postal strike that has impacted mail in donations, we remain steadfast in our dedication to providing our services free of charge and maintaining a high staff-to-patient ratio to ensure unparalleled care and support. In light of this, we seek the Town of Aurora's support through a donation of \$5,000.00 from the Mayor's Charity Golf Classic. Your contribution will directly impact our ability to address our most pressing needs and sustain the quality of care that our patients deserve.

We express our sincere gratitude for considering our request. Thank you for your time, consideration, and past support to help Hill House Hospice provide comfort and dignity to those on their end-of-life journey.

Respectfully,

Joanne Giannakopoulos, CFRE
Director of Development
Hill House Hospice