



100 John West Way  
Aurora, Ontario  
L4G 6J1  
(905) 727-3123  
aurora.ca

# 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 \*

Easter Seals Ontario

## Address

### Street Number and Name \*

1 Concorde Gate Suite 700,

### City/ Town \*

North York,

**Province \***

Ontario

**Postal Code \***

M3C 3N6

## Contact Information

---

**Email Address \***

apeterson@easterseals.org

**Phone Number \***

[REDACTED]

**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.**



Ontario

Helping Kids with Physical Disabilities Succeed

February 27, 2025

Dear Mayor Mrakas and the Aurora Mayor’s Golf Classic Committee,

On behalf of Easter Seals Ontario, I am pleased to submit this request for a \$5,000 grant from the Town of Aurora Mayor’s Golf Classic to support children and youth with physical disabilities in our community.

Aurora is a town known for its generosity, compassion, and strong community spirit. We are proud to share that 30 Easter Seals families currently call Aurora home. Last year alone, through the generosity of donors, sponsors, and community partners, Easter Seals Ontario provided over \$111,000 in direct support to these families and others in the surrounding area, ensuring that children and youth with physical disabilities have access to the essential equipment and programs they need to thrive.

For over 100 years, Easter Seals Ontario has been a champion for kids with physical disabilities. We advocate for children, youth, and young adults, believing in their ability to achieve great things. Every child, regardless of ability, deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential. We also recognize that the most significant limitations aren’t physical; with the right resources and support, anything is possible.

This funding will directly benefit residents of Aurora by ensuring local Easter Seals families continue to receive life-changing support, including essential mobility and accessibility equipment, recreational opportunities, and family support programs. Our work breaks down barriers and fosters a more inclusive and accessible community, where all individuals can set goals—not limits—for their futures.

We deeply appreciate your consideration of this request and your ongoing support of community organizations that make a difference. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this request further and share the impact your support would have on the children and families we serve. Please let me know if there is any other further information you require.

Thank you for your dedication to the Town of Aurora and for supporting initiatives that empower individuals and strengthen our community.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

Andrea Peterson

Development Officer

Easter Seals Ontario

[apeterson@easterseals.org](mailto:apeterson@easterseals.org) 6472736023



## **ABOUT EASTER SEALS ONTARIO:**

Easter Seals Ontario is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of children and youth with physical disabilities.

For over 100 years, we have broken down barriers and provided the support and resources these young people need to reach their full potential and achieve their dreams.

## **WHO WE SERVE:**

To be eligible for Easter Seals Ontario programs, individuals must have a permanent physical disability that restricts their independent mobility. Eligible clients must also be a legal resident of Ontario with a valid Ontario Health Card. The majority of our programs are limited to children and youth under 19 years old; however, some programs are available to young adults. Easter Seals Ontario is committed to inclusivity, offering programs and services to individuals from all backgrounds.

Scan below to learn more about our programs, services, and eligibility.



# Setting goals, not limits, for kids with physical disabilities.



Helping Kids with Physical Disabilities Succeed

1 Concorde Gate, Suite 700  
Toronto, Ontario M3C 3N6  
416.421.8146 or 1.866.630.3336  
services@easterseals.org  
Charitable Reg.# 119068377 RR0001  
Follow us at @EasterSealsON



Helping Kids with Physical Disabilities Succeed



**Programs and Services for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Physical Disabilities**

## EQUIPMENT FUNDING PROGRAM:

Easter Seals Ontario helps families with the cost of equipment that is required by children and youth with a physical disability.

Only children and youth under 19 years old who are registered as Easter Seals Ontario clients may apply for the Equipment Funding Program. Registered clients are eligible for a maximum of \$3,000 per year, per child for approved equipment.

Some equipment categories that may be eligible for funding include: Mobility Equipment, Communication Devices, Orthotics, Accessibility Equipment, Bathing and Toileting Equipment.

Please note that the program only funds eligible equipment and the application for the Equipment Funding Program must be approved before the equipment is ordered. Visit our website to learn more about the program, register to become an Easter Seals Ontario client, and apply for equipment funding.



[Services.EasterSeals.org](https://www.Services.EasterSeals.org)

## ACCESSIBLE & INCLUSIVE CAMPS:

Easter Seals Ontario owns and operates two summer camp properties near Perth (Camp Merrywood) and London, ON (Camp Woodeden).

Our camps offer an environment that fosters personal growth and independence by removing physical barriers and allowing campers to explore a wide range of inclusive recreational activities. At Easter Seals camps, kids with physical disabilities have the chance to build friendships and push their boundaries in an environment that is designed for their strengths and abilities.

We are pleased to offer a range of camp experiences and session types, such as Individual Overnight Camp, Family Camp, Voyager Camp and Leaders in Training. Age ranges and session length vary per session type. To learn more about eligibility and session types, please visit: [EasterSealsCamps.org](https://www.EasterSealsCamps.org)



## POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS:

Many students with disabilities are highly motivated, ambitious, and committed to achieving academic goals, but they may face financial barriers to education. That's why we have established a scholarship program to provide children and youth with disabilities the financial support they need to pursue their academic dreams. Scholarship amounts and availability may vary per year. Applications are accepted annually, generally between late January-mid April. To find out more, visit: [Services.EasterSeals.org/scholarships](https://www.Services.EasterSeals.org/scholarships)

## YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM:

In a world full of diverse talents and perspectives, children and youth with physical disabilities have unique strengths and insights that deserve to shine. At Easter Seals Ontario, we celebrate these differences and believe in magnifying the powerful voices that often go unheard. That's why each year, we select two Easter Seals youth to serve as Provincial Ambassadors, along with several Regional Ambassadors in communities across the province. The application period is usually in the fall of each year.

