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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 *

Marquee Theatrical Productions

What percentage of your organization's clients reside in Aurora? *

40%

Address

Street Number and Name *

City/ Town *

Province *

Postal Code *

Contact Information

Email Address *

Phone Number *

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.



Marquee Theatrical Productions

Aurora ON, [REDACTED]

March 3, 2026

Mayor Mrakas and the Mayor's Golf Classic Committee

Town of Aurora

100 John West Way, Box 1000

Aurora, Ontario L4G 6J1

RE: Funding Request for Marquee Theatrical Productions

Dear Mayor Mrakas and Esteemed Committee Members,

On behalf of Marquee Theatrical Productions, I am writing to request consideration for a \$5,000 donation from the Mayor's Golf Classic to support our efforts in making musical theatre and drama programs accessible to Aurora families.

Last year, our rent increased by 35%, and this year an additional 10%. We work hard to fundraise to assist local families with financial barriers so that their children may take part in our programming but this year, we find our cup a little short on making the demand from the community. Our fundraising efforts provide financial assistance to low and middle-income families. The \$5,000 from the Mayor's Golf Classic would provide a crucial bridge to the families who are requesting the assistance.

These funds would directly support Aurora residents, ensuring that children aged 4-18 can access our musical theatre and drama programs, either partially or fully subsidized. This would serve 8 - 20 kids in the community depending on which program they choose and how much they need. These programs provide much more than just performance training—they foster confidence, creativity, teamwork, and a sense of belonging, helping young people develop essential life skills. Many of our participants come from families facing financial challenges, and without assistance, they would be unable to experience the benefits of arts education.

Marquee has proudly served the Aurora community for over 23 years, providing high-quality arts education and performances that enrich our town's cultural landscape. We are committed to ensuring that financial barriers never stand in the way of a child's ability to participate in the arts, and with your support, we can continue to offer these life-changing opportunities to families in need. This is not only about a fun activity. Our programs teach children life skills. We change lives and these funds can greatly help with that.

We deeply appreciate your consideration and the Mayor's Golf Classic's commitment to supporting local organizations that make a difference in our community. We would be honored to be chosen as a recipient and look forward to the opportunity to continue our work with Aurora's youth.

Please feel free to reach out should you require any additional information. Thank you for your time, generosity, and dedication to the people of Aurora.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sheryl Thomas".

Sheryl Thomas

Executive Director

Marquee Theatrical Productions