

Guys Who Care – North Simcoe

Nomination Guidelines

For a 3-5 minute presentation

Making A Difference is the underlying motive of Guys Who Care. It's the goal of the Guys Who Care to award their donations to organizations that will use the money to make a significant difference to the lives of the people in North Simcoe, particularly to the lives of those who need it most. By making a difference in people's lives we strive not only to make their lives better but to enable them to become productive members of our community. Ideally this is done by providing a type of assistance that enables them to increase their capabilities and their capacity in life. While this is the underlying motive of our group it is also a goal of the membership to be inclusive by considering all nominations.

Each choice of a charity is and will be the result of our democratic process of having members vote on the charities (as submitted by members) to elect to whom our donation will go.

Nomination Guidelines

Basic Information to consider for inclusion in a nomination of a charity...

1. Your name and identification of any personal or professional association you have with the organization you are presenting.
2. Name of the charity you are nominating and the charity registration number. Please remember that in order to be nominated the charity must be capable and willing to issue tax receipts to each Guy for his individual.
3. Mission Statement or Goals of the charity (optional)
4. Examples of what this charity does.
5. Where the charity gets their funding today.
6. The percentage of their funding goes to the delivery of the programs or services they provide.
7. Do they already receive Government funding, and if so, how is that funding used?
8. Are they associated with a Religious group or political party?
9. Whether or not this a volunteer organization? If not, how many paid employees do they have?

Example of supporting a specific program within a larger entity

100 Guys Who Care in Toronto recently gave their donation to help with Alzheimer's. On the surface you might wonder how that \$10000 would make a difference to a huge organization like that, one already rich with research dollars. Well in this case they gave it to a specific program within that large, universal effort to deal with a devastating and growing disease around the world. They chose a program of providing music to people living with this disease. A program that brings joy and comfort to them, who actually show a greater level of cognition as a result of being involved with music. The impact is this extends to family members and care-givers who also benefit from programs by sharing in the joy and comfort of those afflicted with this disease.

We point this example out to say, that even large organizations with large resources can be eligible for our consideration where we can see that our donation can make a difference within specific programs that can build capabilities and capacities in those who are participating locally.

Considerations for members wishing to nominate a charity at a meeting...

Not all of these items will apply to all potential charitable organization but you could be asked any of them by members in attendance at the meeting...

What does the charity do? What are the programs and/or services they provide?

Who benefits from this charity's services and/or programs?

How many people benefit today? (Directly and indirectly)

How does this organization help people to increase their capabilities (build skills) and expand their capacity?

Is there a pent-up, unserved demand for their services and/or programs?

What are the consequences of not getting this funding? What won't happen...who will suffer?

How does the organization raise its funding today?

Does anyone else in the community provide similar programs or services?

What percentage of our donation will go directly to those services and/or programs?

How many paid employees are there in the organization you're recommending, and how many volunteers do they have?

Does the organization receive any government funding – note that Trillium grants would be considered as such?

Does all of the donation stay in North Simcoe, and if not what percentage goes elsewhere (eg. head office)?

How many lives have already been impacted by this organizations services/programs?

Please give an example of how this charity has made a significant difference in our community?