



HGCC Foundation Extends its Reach

The Hamilton G&CC Foundation is expanding its reach to help more people living in our local communities.

With a surplus of \$115,000, and an increasing demand for assistance, the HGCC Foundation Board distributed \$35,000 to five charities to close out 2019. This brings the total Foundation donations to local charities to over \$260,000 for 2019.

“Last summer the HGCC Foundation put out its annual request for submissions for member-sponsored charities seeking support moving forward,” says Foundation Vice- President, Al Scott. “We were very pleased with the response and the growing awareness by our members of the impact their Foundation is having locally.”

What used to be one two-hour meeting to review a handful of requests turned into a three-day process as Foundation Board members interviewed 15 groups.

To address some of the short-term funding requests, the HGCC Foundation wrote cheques to the following charities in December:

- **Routes Youth Centre** in Dundas - \$5,000 – Member Sponsor – Tom Van Zuiden Jr.

- **LIFT Church** at McMaster University, Brock University, Mohawk College and University of Guelph - \$5,000 - Member Sponsors – Mario Paron and Anthony Valeri
- **Muscular Dystrophy Canada** - Hamilton-Wentworth Division - \$5,000 – Member Sponsor – John MacDonald
- **Catholic Children’s Aid Society of Hamilton** – Bursary Program - \$10,000 – Member Sponsor – Deb Lancaster
- **Children’s Aid Society of Hamilton** – Bursary Program – Member Sponsor – Brian Short and Al Scott

The HGCC Foundation has outlined a donation plan for the years 2020 through 2023. An update will be provided to members closer to the start of golf season.