

2016 - 2017

RUN FOR ROCKY - USE OF FUNDS



Caesars Windsor Diversity Fund Training Budget

Total Donation - \$20,000.00

Expenditures in the 2016/2017 School Year

\$910.75 - Egale Canada Human Rights Trust for 2nd phase of Diversity Training for Guidance Counselors and Social Workers in the Greater Essex District School Board. These educators requested a second workshop focused on scenario based situations they encounter with LGBTQ students.

\$395.98 - Purchase of 75 copies of Family Acceptance Books for use of GSA Teacher Leaders, Guidance Counsel Offices and Teachers and Parents as requested in the Catholic and Public English Boards and the Public and Catholic French Boards. Also distributed to Windsor Youth Centre, Maryvale and the Windsor Residence for Young Men.

\$3617.43 - Conference Registration and Accommodations for Educators who were chaperones for GSA/LGBTQ high school students to attend the weekend long Conference-OUTShine which Run for Rocky deems vital in developing GSA student leaders in our community. This conference has also been credited for saving a number of student's lives who have attended in the past. These teachers represented the Greater Essex County District School Board, the Windsor Essex Catholic School Board and the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence. A total of 48 local students were able to attend this conference due to the dedication of their GSA Teacher Leaders.

Remaining in the Caesars Windsor Educator Diversity Training Budget - \$15075.84

Upcoming commitment - This fund will be used to deliver Diversity Training to Guidance Counselors in the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence on Thursday October 26th.





The fourth year of funding of Run for Rocky programming began in May of 2016 and ran through April of 2017. It is Windsor Pride-Run for Rocky's intent to ensure that the Community understands where the funds raised go each year before we embark on yearly fundraising. Every fund outlaid is made with the ideals Rocky envisioned and the programs Rocky's parents believe would have aided him through his high school and university years.

GSA School Grants 2016/2017 School Year

\$3307.24 for a button maker to raise LGBTQ awareness at Herman, 2nd editions to Kennedy and Walkerville's :GBTQ library section, the start of an LGBTQ library resource area at Holy Names, St Annes and Villanova and GSA room supplies for Villanova, St Annes and Holy Names.

GSA Youth Scholarships

\$8000.00 for post-secondary school education supporting inspiring GSA youth in our area and throughout Ontario including one graduate scholarship to a student at the Richard Ivey Business School and five students graduating from local high schools and moving on to post-secondary school studies.

Windsor Pride Education and Resource Centre

\$13,568.74 donation to ensure that the Pride Centre here in Windsor is vital and keeps its doors open to provide increased services for those seeking direction, counselling and support. The Windsor Pride office has seen a large increase in youth in need coming through their doors and requests for help needed in the school system since the Run for Rocky.

Diversity Training for Guidance Counselors in GESDSB-Part 1

\$1497.15 - Egale Canada Human Rights Trust came in for a full day of training and lead Guidance Counselors and Social Workers in the first basic Diversity training so that each school had a trained LGBTQ lead for others to learn from and assist LGBTQ students to as needed.

GSA 1st Annual Conference in the Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board

\$2042.42 - Run for Rocky sponsored the keynote speaker and transportation to get students to this inaugural conference at Holy Names High School. The feedback, media coverage and response for this conference were extremely positive.

Educational Materials for Parents and Educators

\$682.55-Purchase of Safe School Stickers in Francois and English, 2 Pride flags for Catholic Central and Brennan, GSA Poster Boards for Holy Names and St Annes and GSA Bookmarkers for all schools who have an LGBTQ section of their library.

GSA OUTshine Conference - Second Biennial GSA Conference in Canada held in Windsor in April of 2017

*\$7484.52 Windsor Ontario was the host of this National Conference giving many more students and educators access to this truly life changing event. OUTShine creates GSA leaders and guides teachers to become more educated in their role as GSA Teacher leaders in their schools. We have had students who attended this conference in the past tell us that the conference saved their lives. The importance of getting students to this conference so that they can understand who they are, open up to their parents and counselors and get the support they need is a paramount goal of Run for Rocky funding. The next GSA OUTShine Conference will take place in April of 2019 in Fredericton, New Brunswick. (*Note –students raised money through Run for Rocky and in school events and donated this money to Run for Rocky to help cover a portion of these costs.)