

Children's Committee Report

Monday, March 20th, 2023

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What is the Children's Committee?

- We are all Rotary Club of North Bay members
- We review and approve applications for local children and young adults up to 21 years of age
- We work closely through partnerships with community organizations (such as NADY, OKP, CCAC, schools)



History

Even before it was dubbed Rotary for Kids ... the Rotary Club of North Bay was helping the youth in our community ...

- Club chartered in 1923 ... by 1924, Rotarians were building a rink and organizing hockey for boys in the community
- 1925 / 26 ... The Rotary Club got involved with Crippled Children's Work
- 1929 the Crippled Children's Club was formed to raise funds to support the work being done
- 1946 "Do you know a cripped child who needs help?" was an ad in the Daily Nugget. The ad was geared to parents financially unable to provide the care needed for their children
- 1985 The launch to raise more than \$750,000.00 for the Therapeutic Pool and wheelchair accessible ramp
- 2001 Funded two wheelchair accessible chariots for families at the Waterfront Carousel

History continued ...

- 2002 More than \$250,000.00 towards One Kids Place supporting kids with disabilities
- 2003 The Radiothon with Scott Clark was inaugurated.

The Longest Radio Show with Kevin Oschefski / and now, Kev's Kids

- 2021 Another \$10,000.00 to OKP for the Jack Lyons Park
- NADY ... until two years ago, \$30,000.00 per year to support their programming (I.e. ski program, horse riding, etc.) We also provided funding for a wheelchair accessible van.
- And, there will be another \$10,000.00 to OKP this week, at the Kev's Kids /
 Rotary4Kids media launch to enhance the summer camp
 autism experience ...

Application process

- Parents / or professionals fill out an application on behalf of the parent
- A letter of support from a Health Practitioner is required
- Are there additional funding sources / and how much are the parents able to provide
- As part of the application process there is a consent to release information
- Though we usually do not ask, we do have the mandate to ask about family income if there are any questions.



Process for approval

- Does the application fit our mandate?
 - The committee can approve up to \$5000.00
 - Up to \$2500.00 can be allocated for equipment
 - Individual or family is capped at \$5000.00 / year
 - Computers, orthotics, orthodontics and dental are not fundable
 - Funding approvals must have the majority support of committee members



Funding examples

- Camp experiences
- Bikes or mobility devices
- Medications that are not totally covered
- Hearing assessments
- Washroom adaptation / equipment
- Support for parents having to be at CHEO or Sick Kids or?
- Adaptive bed
- BAYSAR responder systems
- Pediatric stroller
- Ipads
- Therapy that isn't covered





Yearly expenditures

- 2018 2019 over \$60,000.00
- 2019 2020 \$52,486.97 (you have to remember the pandemic started March 2020)
- 2020 2021 \$15,573.29
- 2021 2022 \$15,574.78
- 2022 2023 \$25,904.88 (Spent)
 \$41,108.86 (Committed)



How you can help

With the fundraiser ... Rotary4Kids / Kev's Kids



• We need members on the Children's committee ...



