



COMMUNITY GIVING PROGRAM GUIDE

Investing in Organizations that Strengthen the Eagan Community

Supported through the generosity of EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners

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Welcome

The Eagan Hockey Association (EHA) is committed to being a responsible steward of charitable gambling proceeds by investing in organizations and initiatives that strengthen youth, families, and the Eagan community.

Through the Community Giving Program, EHA proudly reinvests charitable gambling proceeds into programs, events, and organizations that share our commitment to building a stronger, healthier, and more connected community.

This program is made possible through the continued support of EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners and the patrons who visit their establishments. Their generosity allows EHA to extend its impact beyond the rink by investing in organizations that create meaningful opportunities throughout the Eagan community.

EHA believes community giving is more than providing financial support—it is about building lasting community partnerships. Organizations receiving funding are expected to recognize and promote EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners in a manner appropriate for their organization, helping strengthen the relationships that make this program possible.

The EHA Board of Directors is committed to administering this program in a fair, transparent, and consistent manner. Every request is carefully evaluated using established criteria to ensure charitable gambling proceeds are invested responsibly and where they can provide meaningful benefit to the Eagan community.

Thank you for your interest in partnering with the Eagan Hockey Association. We appreciate the work your organization does to strengthen our community and look forward to learning more about your organization.

OUR PURPOSE

The EHA Community Giving Program exists to responsibly reinvest charitable gambling proceeds into organizations and initiatives that strengthen youth, families, and the Eagan community while fostering meaningful partnerships with the businesses whose support makes this program possible.

About the Program

Purpose of the Program

To responsibly reinvest charitable gambling proceeds into organizations and initiatives that strengthen youth, families, and the Eagan community.

Eligibility

Funding is limited to organizations and initiatives based in or directly connected to the Eagan community. Organizations whose primary mission or activities are not based in Eagan are not eligible.

Funding Philosophy

EHA views community giving as an investment in the Eagan community. Funding is considered in light of responsible stewardship, available charitable giving funds, and the number of qualified requests received.

Board Review Process

Requests are evaluated using established criteria and a Funding Consideration Threshold. Evaluation guides Board discussion but does not independently determine a funding decision.

Annual Funding Cycle

Applications are accepted throughout the year and reviewed during the Board's June, September, December, and March review cycles.

Recognition Expectations

Funding recipients are expected to make a reasonable, good-faith effort to recognize and promote EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners in a manner appropriate for their organization.



Supporting Our Community Together

These local establishments make EHA's charitable giving possible:

 Trail Stop Tavern	 Ansari's
 Wildcats Bar & Grill	 Lone Oak Grill
 Union 32 Craft House	 721 Sports Bar & Lounge

We encourage all applicants and funding recipients to recognize and support these businesses whenever possible.

Program Guidelines

Eligible Requests

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Priority Consideration

Priority consideration is given to requests that serve the Eagan community or its residents; support youth, families, education, recreation, health, or community enrichment; demonstrate a meaningful connection to the Eagan community; and align with the goals and values of the EHA Community Giving Program.

Recognition Expectations

Organizations receiving funding are expected to make a reasonable, good-faith effort to recognize and promote EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners in a manner appropriate for their organization.

Review Process

The Board evaluates Recognition & Support of EHA's Charitable Gambling Partners; Fulfillment of Previous Recognition Commitments, when applicable; Connection to the Eagan Community; Use of Requested Funds; and Alignment with Community Giving Program Goals. Evaluation results guide Board discussion and funding consideration. Final funding decisions are made by the EHA Board of Directors.

Annual Funding Cycle

Applications are accepted throughout the year and reviewed quarterly during the Board's June, September, December, and March meetings. Applications should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the applicable review meeting.

Notification of Award

Applicants will be notified following the first Board meeting of the month immediately after the applicable quarterly review cycle. This timeline allows the Board to complete its formal approval process before communicating funding decisions.

Funding Availability & Board Discretion

Funding varies based on charitable gambling revenue, annual budget allocations, and the number of qualified requests received. Submission does not guarantee funding. The Board may approve the full amount requested, approve a partial amount, defer a request, or decline a request. Funding decisions are final.

Frequency of Awards

Organizations may submit more than one funding request during EHA's fiscal year (May 1–April 30); however, an organization may receive only one funding award through the EHA Community Giving Program during each fiscal year. This limitation supports responsible annual budgeting and allows EHA to consider funding requests from a broad range of eligible organizations.