



Spring is a season of renewal, growth, and fresh beginnings—and this year, it also marks a significant milestone for the Mississauga Foundation: 25 years of community impact.

Since our founding, we have worked alongside generous donors, dedicated partners, and passionate community leaders to build a stronger, more resilient Mississauga. As we begin this anniversary year, we're excited to reflect on how far we've come—and look ahead to the impact we will continue to create together.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF IMPACT



A LEGACY OF GIVING. A FUTURE OF POSSIBILITY.

In 2026, the Mississauga Foundation proudly celebrates 25 years of philanthropy, partnership, and progress.

Over the past quarter century, the Foundation has:

- Supported hundreds of local charities and initiatives
- Helped establish a growing network of funds dedicated to community needs
- Invested in solutions that address everything from food security and youth development to health and wellbeing

What makes this milestone meaningful is not just the years—but the people behind them. Our fundholders, donors, partners, and volunteers have shaped a culture of giving that continues to evolve with our city. As Mississauga grows, so do the needs of our community. Our 25th anniversary is not only a moment to celebrate—it's a call to continue building, giving, and investing in a future where everyone can thrive.

Join us throughout the year as we highlight stories of impact, honour our community champions, and look ahead to the next 25 years.

WELCOMING NEW FUNDHOLDERS IN 2026

We are proud to introduce new fundholders whose generosity is already creating ripples across Mississauga. Each fund reflects a long-term commitment to addressing pressing needs and supporting community growth.

New Funds in 2026:

- **Jauernig Family Fund** – Driving lasting impact across local initiatives.
- **JUMP Basketball Scholarship Fund** - Awards academic scholarships to student-athletes in the JUMP Basketball program to assist with their post-secondary education.
- **Marsella Family Fund for Food Security** – Supporting programs that fight hunger and improve food access.
- **Mississauga Children's Choir Fund** – Supporting the voices of Mississauga's youth.
- **Novo Nordisk Rare Diseases Fund** - Supporting initiatives that raise awareness and improve the lives of those affected by rare diseases.
- **Options Mississauga Fund** - Supporting opportunities that empower neurodiverse youth and adults to build skills, confidence, and independence.
- **Padfield Mushynski Family Fund** - Supporting community initiatives that strengthen and enrich life in Mississauga.
- **Safe City Mississauga Fund** – Investing in Crime Prevention in our community.
- **Tara Addis Mississauga Vitality Fund** - Supporting initiatives that promote health, wellbeing, and vitality in Mississauga.



Every new fund established at the Mississauga Foundation represents a promise: to invest in Mississauga's future and support meaningful, lasting change.

Interested in becoming a Fundholder?

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FUNDHOLDER SPOTLIGHT:

HOW JUMP BASKETBALL IS INVESTING IN FUTURE LEADERS



For Rishi Oberoi, basketball has always been about more than the game.

As the **co-founder of JUMP Basketball**, his vision has consistently focused on building strong, confident young people—both on and off the court. Now, through the **JUMP Basketball Scholarship Fund** at the Mississauga Foundation, that vision is extending even further.

“Our motto at Jump Basketball is BALL Today, LEAD Tomorrow,” says Oberoi. “The idea behind that was that players in our program learn basketball and develop real-life skills like resilience, teamwork, communication, and leadership.”

That philosophy has guided the organization’s work with youth across Mississauga. But as participants began to graduate from the program, Oberoi saw an opportunity to deepen that impact.



“The Mississauga Foundation Fund allowed us to take that principle a step further by supporting their education goals after they graduate from our program.”

Creating Opportunities Beyond the Game

The JUMP Basketball Scholarship Fund is designed to recognize and support exceptional participants as they transition into post-secondary education.

By easing financial barriers, the fund ensures that the same young people who developed leadership skills through sport can continue to grow and succeed academically.

Oberoi has taken a thoughtful and sustainable approach to building the fund.

“We will spread the initial funding over a couple of years. Once funded, we will distribute the funds to exceptional applicants annually.”



Building Leaders in Mississauga

At its core, the fund is about investing in local talent—and ensuring that the next generation of leaders has the tools to thrive right here in the community.

“We love that the funds help build leaders in Mississauga locally, allowing that talent to further grow and develop here.”

This focus on local impact aligns closely with the mission of the Mississauga Foundation—connecting generosity with community need in ways that create lasting change.

As the Foundation celebrates 25 years of community impact, partnerships like this highlight the power of purposeful giving. By combining sport, education, and philanthropy, JUMP Basketball is helping shape a future where young people are empowered not just to play—but to lead.

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ADVANCING THE FIGHT AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN PEEL



From 2019 to 2025, the Region of Peel has led the way in supporting victims and survivors of human sex trafficking through its **Anti-Human Sex Trafficking (AHST) Strategy**. Centered on prevention, intervention, and safe housing, the strategy aims to improve the health and safety of those affected.

Awareness efforts reached nearly **one million people**, with over **4,700 attending presentations** and more than **14,000 completing e-learning modules**. On the intervention side, the **nCourage Hub** served **1,062 clients**, a **650% increase** from previous years, ensuring survivors had reliable access to dedicated services.

Most clients were women and girls, with the majority aged 25 and older.

Housing programs provided critical stability, including **Bonnie McPhee House**, which supported 59 clients with an average stay of 88 days, and **Peel Together House**, accommodating 25 clients for an average of 278 days.

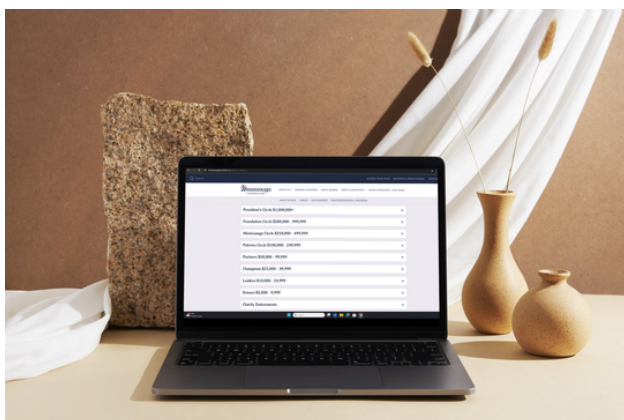
Peel's AHST partners, including local service providers and the province of Ontario, have demonstrated strong collaboration, helping survivors experience safety and support. Moving forward, the focus will expand to youth prevention programs and strengthening service pathways between agencies.

Together, these initiatives are strengthening Peel's response to human trafficking—helping survivors rebuild their lives with safety, stability, and dignity.

You can find the [full report here](#) and the [infographic here](#). These and other resources are available on the [Region of Peel's AHST webpage](#).



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DONOR WALL: CELEBRATE IMPACT ONLINE

Our [digital Donor Wall](#) is live! It celebrates the generosity of our fundholders and supporters, with several donors already climbing up our donation circles. We invite you to explore the Donor Wall and see how collective giving is shaping a stronger, more vibrant Mississauga.

[Visit the Donor Wall here.](#)

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STRENGTHENING LEADERSHIP: NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We are delighted to welcome new members to our Board of Directors:



Peter A. Saad, Managing Partner, Loopstra Nixon LLP

Peter is a leading expert in Ontario's corporate healthcare law, with deep experience in mergers, acquisitions, and corporate strategy. Recently elected Managing Partner of Loopstra Nixon LLP, he has also been recognized by Chambers Canada (2023–2025) as a top corporate/commercial lawyer. His sharp legal insight and strong business acumen will be a tremendous asset to our Board.



Bruno Jauernig, Senior Business Leader focused on growth, transformation and team development.

With over 20 years of experience in marketing and sales, Bruno is a senior business leader known for driving growth, transformation, and team development. A strategist at heart, he has led diverse business functions across multiple industries and is passionate about helping individuals and teams reach their full potential.



Anisa Rita, Managing Partner, ALF LLP

With over a decade of legal experience, Anisa is a senior legal leader and Managing Partner at ALF LLP, known for delivering strategic, client-focused solutions in corporate and real estate law. A modern legal strategist at heart, she is passionate about innovation, community leadership, and building platforms that create access, visibility, and impact.

Their expertise and vision will help guide the Foundation as we continue to invest in programs that address emerging challenges and strengthen our community.

MAKING HEADLINES TOGETHER

COMMUNITY LEADERS GATHER AT MISSISSAUGA CITY HALL TO LAUNCH OSCA PREMIER'S CUP AND SUPPORT YOUTH CRICKET

Community leaders from across Ontario gathered at Mississauga City Hall to celebrate student success and promote youth participation in sport through the launch of the OSCA Premier's Cup, led by the Ontario Schools Cricket Association (OSCA).

The event brought together provincial and municipal leaders, educators, coaches, and community advocates, including Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and Carolyn Parrish, Mayor of Mississauga.



The gathering highlighted the growing role of cricket in schools and its impact in fostering teamwork, discipline, and opportunities for young people.



The Mississauga Foundation was proud to support OSCA through a \$25,000 grant from the Pendle Fund for school cricket programming in 2026. The funding will help expand cricket opportunities for students and encourage greater participation in physical activity across local schools. In partnership with OSCA, the Foundation also announced the launch of the **OSCA Premier's Cup Team Sports Scholarship Fund**, designed to support young cricket players as they transition from high school to post-secondary education.

The scholarship program aims to help remove financial barriers and create educational opportunities for student athletes.

“Amazing things happen when community comes together,” said Glenn Gumulka, President & CEO, Mississauga Foundation. *“Today’s gathering of community leaders, educators, and coaches demonstrates the power of sport to bring people together and support the success of young people in our community.”*



OSCA was also fortunate to receive **media coverage from both CBC and CP24**, where the Mississauga Foundation and its support for youth cricket initiatives were highlighted in broadcast segments from the event.

The Foundation extended its thanks to Ranil Mendis and the OSCA team for their leadership in advancing school cricket and building pathways for youth development through sport.

WATCH OUR VIDEO: WHAT IS A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION?

Curious about how community foundations make a difference? Check out our [“What is a Community Foundation?”](#) video to see how your support drives real change in Mississauga.

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