

Blues Fest was most successful yet

On behalf of the Aurora Winter Blues Festival Organizing Committee, we'd like to thank the residents of Aurora for their continued support of the AWBF.

Our milestone fifth annual Festival held March 5 through to March 12 was our most successful event. From the incredible performances, attendance, supporting community events and the increased awareness and support for our charitable benefactors.

We are thrilled to share with you that \$24,500 was raised for Blue Door Shelters, Community & Home Assistance to Seniors (CHATS), plus the AWBF Youth In Music Program which brings our total fundraising to \$64,500 over 5 years!

The continued growth and success of the AWBF, recognized as one of the Top 100 Festivals in Ontario, would not be possible without the support of our many sponsors, local business donations, media partners and volunteers.

To all of you, we extend out much appreciated thanks for your time, effort and generosity.

We'd also like to express our gratitude to Highland Automotive Professionals, hosts of the 2016 AWBF BluesBash Festival Kickoff, plus the Aurora Public Library, Aurora Cultural Centre, Theatre Aurora, The ARTS Music Store and our local bar partners (King Richard's and Aw, Shucks), along with all their great staff, for the support they have given the Festival and the joint programming to showcase many of our talented, local youth musicians/bands.

A final thank you to the AWBF Organizing Committee ? a special group of 14 individuals who believe in giving back to the community and make it all happen!

Enjoy the many live music events this spring/summer in town plus the festivals supported through the York Region Festival Alliance.

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