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The Rotary Club of Naperville Celebrates Success of the 2024 Holiday Parade of Lights- Awards \$58,000 to Local Nonprofits

Naperville, IL—The Rotary Club of Naperville distributed proceeds yesterday from the **2024 Holiday Parade of Lights**, Naperville's Parade with a Purpose, held on **Friday, November 29, 2024**. Now in its fourth year, this signature fundraiser once again brought the community together for an evening of celebration, entertainment, and charitable giving.

Recognizing Our Supporters

The success of this event was made possible through the generous support of sponsors, donors, and volunteers. The Rotary Club of Naperville extends its deepest gratitude to **IntenGen Financial Partners** (Presenting Sponsor), **Downtown Naperville Alliance** (Presenting Partner Sponsor), **Energy Services (Santa Float Sponsor)**, and **numerous other businesses and individuals** who contributed to making the parade a spectacular event.

A special acknowledgment goes to **Naperville Rotary Charities**, whose **matching grant** allowed the club to distribute **\$58,000 in grants** to local nonprofit organizations.

Grant Recipients Making a Difference

The proceeds from the **2024 Holiday Parade of Lights** directly benefited local nonprofit organizations, many of which focus on supporting children and families in the community. Among this year's **major grant recipients** are:

- **Special Olympics Illinois** – Providing sports training and competition for individuals with intellectual disabilities.
- **Max's Mission** – Supporting families affected by suicide loss.
- **Special Spaces** – Creating dream bedroom makeovers for children with cancer.
- **360 Youth Services** – Offering substance use prevention, counseling, and housing support for youth.
- **Indian Prairie Educational Foundation** – Supporting students in District 204 through academic and artistic programs.
- **Alive Center** – Empowering teens through leadership and mentorship programs.
- **Naperville Education Foundation** – Enhancing educational opportunities for Naperville 203 students.
- **Teen Parent Connection** – Providing critical resources for teenage parents and their children.

- **Western DuPage Special Recreation Association** – Offering recreational opportunities for individuals with special needs.
- **Naperville Professional Firefighters for a Cause** – Supporting charitable initiatives in the Naperville community.
- **Naperville Police Foundation** – Strengthening community support for the Naperville Police Department.

Looking Ahead to 2025

The Rotary Club of Naperville thanks the community for making the **2024 Holiday Parade of Lights** a success. **Mark your calendars! The 2025 Holiday Parade of Lights will return on Friday, November 28, 2025.**

For more information on the **Rotary Club of Naperville**, sponsorship opportunities, or how to get involved in next year's parade, please visit <https://napervillerotaryparade.org/>

About the Rotary Club of Naperville

The Rotary Club of Naperville is dedicated to serving the local and global community through service, fundraising, and volunteer efforts. Through its various programs and initiatives, the club strives to positively impact and support those in need. <https://rotaryclubofnaperville.org/>