Hospice King-Aurora receive 3rd straight accounting award

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Hospice King-Aurora has received another award.

For the third straight year, the hospice won a Voluntary Sector Reporting Award, created by the CPA-Queen's Centre for Governance in partnership with Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario.

The award goes to charities whose annual reports demonstrate the highest level of accountability and transparency while communicating effectively with beneficiaries, donors and stakeholders.

"Our donors and volunteers can be confident they are contributing to an organization that demonstrates excellence in transparency and clarity in financial and non-financial disclosure," hospice executive director Sheila Darnowski said.

In addition to receiving the award the last three years, the hospice was a finalist for three years prior

This year, the hospice was also designated an exemplar in financial reporting transparency, a designation given to organizations that received three Voluntary Sector Reporting Awards in any five-year



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Hospice King-Aurora executive director Sheila Darnowski (from right), Heidi Bonner and Karen Simmonds are shown here last year celebrating the voluntary sector reporting award the organization won for the second year in a row.

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For more than 30 years, the hospice has provided support to people diagnosed with life-threatening illness and those who care for them.

The hospice regularly responds to the needs of the community by providing wellness programs, education and bereavement support for children and adults.

About 75 per cent of funding received comes from donations and grants.

All the hospice's programs are free.