

c/oRick Renaud  
ProjectBE Event Productions  
London ON

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Dear Rick and ProjectBE Event Productions,

Thank you very much for your generous gift of \$50.00 to Regional HIV/AIDS Connection (RHAC). A huge thank you to you Rick for planning and managing the spectacular Snow Queen Pageant Event. Martin McIntosh and I had a wonderful and fun-filled evening, taking on the role of guest judges for the event. We were so impressed with the heart, soul and talent in the room. Special thanks to the amazingly brilliant Snow Queen Pageant contestants, Lita VonSleaze, Robin Spears, Serenity Belle and Roxy Rhymes. We are also so very thankful to Lavish Nightclub for hosting the event and for kindly providing the venue space.

The dollars donated by generous community partners such as ProjectBE Event Productions directly support programs and services that are not funded by the government, and therefore would not exist without fundraising.

Despite great advances in medicine, RHAC continues to serve many individuals who are extremely vulnerable. Unfortunately, the need for our programs and services has never been greater with factors such as increasing HIV rates in our community, ongoing poverty (80 percent of our clients live in poverty), and social stigma, in addition to multiple other barriers to health and wellness at play. The care and support that we provide to our clients through fund raised dollars makes a world of difference in empowering them on their journeys to health and well-being.

With support from generous community groups like ProjectBE Event Productions, we are able to continue to provide education, emotional support, practical assistance, harm reduction and social support for people living with, at risk for and affected by HIV, AIDS and Hepatitis C. Additionally we offer unique support for members of the LGBTQ2S community, especially youth.

Again, we are extremely grateful and appreciative of your willingness to assist us in addressing the complexity of barriers to health in our community and we thank you for joining us in empowering and safeguarding diverse populations in our community.

With many thanks and much gratitude,



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