

Candidate Biography

Kristy M^cDonald



Kristy M^cDonald is a resident of Ajax and is running for Local Councillor in Ward 1 in the upcoming municipal election.

Kristy M^cDonald has lived in the community for over 15 years and is actively involved in local organizations and community initiatives.

She brings professional experience in non-profit organizations, national-level leadership, and expertise in fundraising. She has worked to alleviate poverty and food insecurity in Durham Region, across Canada, and internationally for the last 25 years.

Kristy M^cDonald's volunteer experience in Ajax is vast and deep. She began volunteering with parent council at her children's school. Those initiatives led to stronger relationships between the two geographic communities the students at the school lived in. She has also served as the President for the Ajax Skating Club during a time of difficult transitions mandated by Skate Canada. Her volunteer experience was tested as the Director of Trainers for Ajax Minor Hockey during the COVID pandemic. Her commitment to the players, coaches, organization and community was demonstrated daily as she engaged with Durham Public Health, Ontario Minor Hockey Association, and the organization. AMHA benefitted from her leadership by having players on the ice longer than any surrounding hockey association. Her most recent volunteer work has been focused on creating a new foodbank in Pickering Village, located at 82 Church St. South, called Pantry 82. Her commitment to helping neighbours through challenging times drives her to do this work.

Kristy M^cDonald believes that strong communities are built through collaboration, responsible decision-making and uniting residents by listening to their concerns and dreams for the community.

The campaign will focus on priorities such as infrastructure, affordability and accountability.

Kristy M^cDonald looks forward to meeting residents across the community and hearing their ideas for the future of Ward 1 and Ajax.