



As summer begins to wane, we're pleased to announce that Kaukauna's big early-season celebration will give another important boost to many groups that make our community stronger.

Electric City Experience wishes to thank the City of Kaukauna for its generous support as well as for serving as a gracious host to our annual festival. This year's achievements were made sweeter by our success in navigating through a challenging economic landscape. The 2023 event will result in \$15,000 in nonprofit and community investments.

The 2023 festival featured five stages of live music, great food and so much more. From Kids Carnival Day to the well-received return of our street market, the family-friendly festival served as a point of community pride and painted a positive picture of Kaukauna for our many visitors.

Our planning efforts came with tempered enthusiasm, recognizing that inflation could have weakened our ability to meet community expectations. We were thrilled to see new sponsors step forward and long-time sponsors extend their generosity. Overall attendance was strong in spite of rainfall on Saturday, which is always our best-attended day. As a result, our community contributions are up \$2,000 – a solid 15% – from 2022.

Our team is incredibly thankful for all of our many dedicated sponsors. The City of Kaukauna has been a magnificent partner and we can't express enough gratitude for their collaboration.

We want to recognize the enthusiasm and assistance provided by so many departments including police, fire, public works, recreation and administration. We also wish to thank the Common Council for recognizing the value of this event and providing key support. This year, we would like to offer our special thanks to Lee Meyerhofer, president of the Kaukauna Utilities Commission, for his continual support. Lee has always offered his time, guidance and expertise at the first signs of any challenge.

This year's festival made the following funding possible, which includes contributions for volunteer efforts:

\$5,000	St. Ignatius Catholic School	\$500	Kaukauna Dance Team
\$2,250	Kaukauna Lions and Lioness Clubs	\$250	Friends of Kaukauna Public Library
\$2,000	Oshkosh Area Community Pantry	\$250	Kaukauna Farmers Market
\$1,000	Old Glory Honor Flight	\$250	Hope Highway Dog Rescue
\$1,000	Friends of 1000 Islands	\$250	Center for Suicide Awareness
\$750	Kaukauna Public Library	\$250	Kaukauna Firefighters Local 1594
\$500	Kaukauna Fire Department	\$250	Friends of Grignon Mansion
\$500	Kaukauna Police Department		

Together, we created another electric start to the summer, Kaukauna. We look forward to another wonderful experience in 2024!