

Call for Committee Members

Join the 2026 Grey Highlands Gran Fondo Working Group

The **Grey Highlands Gran Fondo** returns on **Saturday, September 12, 2026**, and we are building our volunteer Working Group to help guide the planning, logistics, and day-of execution of this signature community fundraiser in support of local healthcare.

We are inviting local residents, riders, business leaders, and community champions to join the **Gran Fondo Working Group** and collaborate with the Foundation team in delivering an exceptional 2026 event.

What the Working Group Does

Committee members support strategic planning and operational coordination, including:

- Route planning and rider experience
- Sponsorship and community partnerships
- Volunteer recruitment and coordination
- Rest stop logistics
- Safety and risk management
- Marketing and community outreach
- Day-of event oversight and troubleshooting

Time Commitment

- Monthly meetings held on the third Tuesday of every month.
- Additional support in the 4–6 weeks leading up to event day
- On-site leadership role on September 12, 2026

Who Should Apply?

We are looking for individuals who:

- Care about strengthening local healthcare
- Enjoy collaborative planning and community building
- Have experience in events, logistics, marketing, cycling, sponsorship, or volunteer management (an asset but not required)
- Want to make a tangible impact close to home

The Gran Fondo is more than a ride — it is a community effort. If you are interested in lending your time, expertise, and energy to the 2026 event, we would love to hear from you.

To express interest:

Please contact Amber Ebert, Philanthropy Officer, Markdale Hospital Foundation, aebert@cghsfoundation.com or call 519-986-3040, ext. 6153

Call for Day-of Event Volunteers

Volunteer at the 2026 Grey Highlands Gran Fondo

Be part of something that moves our community forward.

The **2026 Grey Highlands Gran Fondo** takes place on **Saturday, September 12, 2026**, and we are recruiting enthusiastic, dependable volunteers to help deliver a safe and memorable event for riders and supporters.

No cycling experience required — just community spirit.

Volunteer Roles Available

Route Marshals

- Positioned at key intersections
- Assist with rider direction and safety
- Support traffic awareness

Registration Team

- Rider check-in and kit pick-up
- Waiver confirmation
- Answering participant questions

Rest Stop Teams

- Set up and manage hydration and nutrition stations
- Encourage riders and monitor basic safety needs

Support Vehicle Drivers

- Drive designated routes
- Assist riders experiencing mechanical issues or fatigue
- Coordinate with event command

Set-Up & Tear-Down Crew

- Signage placement
- Tent and equipment setup
- Post-event breakdown

Why Volunteer?

- Directly support vital healthcare in our region
- Be part of a high-energy community event
- Meet riders and fellow volunteers

- Gain event experience
- Enjoy a rewarding day outdoors

Whether you can give a few hours or the full day, your time makes a difference.

Sign up to volunteer:

[Insert registration link]