



Meet the Steering Committee

Julie Simard, Chair



Julie, a resident of Aurora, has been a LiPS member since 2018 and a committee member 2022. Julie has extensive experience in healthcare and has worked on the frontline as an emergency room RN and more recently in hospital administration, as well as in healthcare consulting. She is currently in the final stages of completing a PhD in health services at the University of Toronto. Julie is passionate about improving healthcare and access to health services in her community and is excited about her new role as Chair and the opportunities it affords to impact Southlake and the local community. Julie is committed to growing the LiPS membership so that the group can continue supporting important health projects for Southlake.

Sarah Powell, Past Chair



Sarah has been a LiPS member since 2015 and part of the Steering Committee since 2017 where she started as Treasurer and helped plan many events like the Fashion Show and King Cole Duck tasting evening. Sarah is a CPA and worked in the finance and tech sectors before taking leave to raise her two girls. Now that they are teenagers, she fills her time with volunteering for various charitable groups. Sarah takes pride in being part of Ladies in Philanthropy for Southlake and is committed to growing the LiPS membership so they can continue to fund important healthcare projects in the community.

Robin Taylor-Smith



Robin has been a LiPS member for many years, and decided now was time to step up to the plate and join this great committee. Robin has been a strong supporter of community initiatives for many years, including working behind the scenes for the Run for Southlake among other events. Robin, who lives in Aurora, is committed to building and improving the health services in our community and is excited for the re-branding of LiPS and moving this group towards an exciting next chapter.

Lana Freeman, Southlake Liaison



Lana is a long-standing member of LiPS and has recently re-joined the Steering Committee. Her career in healthcare has spanned over 25 years and she finds being able to directly contribute to the equipment needs of Southlake extremely empowering! As the Director of Planning for Southlake, Lana is continuously engaged in discussions and projects that relate to the on-going needs of all of the clinical programs, staff and patients. Outside the world of Healthcare Lana has a passion for cooking and entertaining!

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