

## Gina Moga

I am a lifelong Auroran and a graduate of East Aurora High School, where I was on the High Honor Roll. My husband, Zack, and I have three children and four grandchildren, all of whom still live in the area.

While my children attended Holy Angels Grade School, I was deeply involved with the school and church, handling everything from serving as the "Picture Lady" to organizing various fundraisers.

In 1998, I was hired part-time by then-Mayor David Stover to create an event to draw people downtown. With a \$15,000 budget, I launched "Downtown Alive!," a weekly series that eventually outgrew the downtown streets and transitioned into RiverEdge Park. In 2000, I also oversaw the City's acquisition and management of "Blues on the Fox."

Eventually working my way up to Special Events Manager and retired from the City of Aurora in 2021. During my career I oversaw over 100 festivals, 100+ parades and assisted in rewriting the City's Special Event Ordinance and event permitting process.

### Past Committees and Boards:

- RiverEdge Park Committee
- RiverWalk Commission
- 4th of July Parade Board
- Blues on the Fox Committee
- WCC Literacy Board
- Fox Valley Music Foundation
- AACVB