Team Metro Housing
127th Boston Marathon – Monday, April 17, 2023
DISTANCE: 26.2 miles, 385 yards (42.195 Kilometers)
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The John Hancock Marathon Non-Profit Program has generously awarded five invitational entries for the 2023 Boston Marathon to Metro Housing|Boston (Metro Housing). This is the world's oldest annual marathon and ranks as one of the most prestigious road racing events in the world. Metro Housing will select the runners, each of whose experience in both running and fundraising will make them most likely to succeed.

Metro Housing is a leading nonprofit with nearly 40 years' experience connecting the residents of Greater Boston with safe, decent homes they can afford. Metro Housing is also the state's largest regional provider of rental assistance, serving persons with disabilities or mental illness, the elderly, and households with very low incomes in Boston and 29 surrounding communities. The financial support we receive from the Boston Marathon Program ensures that we continue providing services to those who need our help.

Benefits of being a member of Team Metro Housing:

- A 16 –18 week training program for runners with professional coach.
- Regularly scheduled team runs.
- Team meetings and support.
- Fundraising assistance and promotional/information materials about Metro Housing.
- Partnership with a John Hancock event and fundraising page on GivenGain.
- Team Gear and Incentive awards for achieving fundraising goals.

Application process:

1. Prospective runners complete the application, which includes questions about running experience, fundraising experience, and their desire to run for the Metro Housing team.
2. Runners sign off on selection and participation criteria, agreeing to raise a minimum of $7,500, which will be charged to their credit card if they are unable to raise it by May 15, 2022.
3. All applications are due by **Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 5:00pm** as we anticipate spaces will be filled quickly. We plan to confirm final selection of runners by **Friday, September 30, 2022, at 5:00pm**. Up to two alternate runners will be selected in case a primary runner withdraws him/herself from the team.

Because of the highly competitive nature of the marathon program, the strongest applications set goals to raise a minimum of $10,000 or more, as well as demonstrate the ability to achieve that goal.

Questions? Contact Carla Beaudoin, carla.beaudoin@metrohousingboston.org or 617.425.6679.

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Selection and Participation Criteria

General information: Metro Housing has five guaranteed race entries for the 2023 Boston Marathon thanks to the generosity of John Hancock Financial. These numbers will be assigned to runners based on each applicant's responses on the Metro Housing application. We will consider runners who are time-qualified for additional team slots.

Team selection: Applications are reviewed and considered carefully, including fundraising goals and experience, running experience, and ability to train and complete a marathon. ***SELECTED RUNNERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND TEAM ORIENTATION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2022.**

Wait list: During the selection process, a wait list for Metro Housing's race entries will be selected. If a team member withdraws from the race by the cancellation deadline **January 20, 2023**, a wait-listed runner will receive a race entry and will be responsible for the fundraising minimum of $7,500. *Wait-listed runners are invited and encouraged to attend all team meetings and training sessions.*

Fundraising requirements for accepted applicants
Minimum: $7,500

A nonrefundable payment of $375 will be charged to your credit card when you register for the marathon. This payment will be used for your race application fee and does not count toward your fundraising minimum.

Qualified and Registered Runners: Metro Housing welcomes runners of all abilities, and we invite qualified, registered runners to join our team.

Special Thanks to: