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NYC Heart & Stroke
MARATHON TEAM

Are you a runner and interested in a guaranteed spot in the world-renowned TCS New York City Marathon on **Sunday, November 7, 2021**?

The **American Heart Association/American Stroke Association** is proud to be a part of the New York Road Runner Charity Partner Program. We have a limited number of guaranteed entries to this year's race. In exchange for a guaranteed entry through the American Heart Association, recipients will commit to raising funds to support our life saving work.

The **American Heart Association/American Stroke Association** mission is to be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. Cardiovascular diseases and stroke are America's No. 1 and No. 5 killers that claim over 800,000 lives a year – that's 1 in every 3 deaths. The Association funds research, professional and public education, advocacy and community service programs to help all Americans live longer, healthier lives.

[Frequently Asked Questions about the TCS New York City Marathon Charity Partner Program](#)

Where do I send my application?

Completed applications should be sent to Desiree Cooper at nycmarathon@heart.org.

If I am accepted, when will I be notified?

Selected applicants will be notified by email within one week of receipt of their application.

What is the deadline to submit my application?

Spots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications will be accepted until Thursday, September 16 or until all spots have been filled – whichever comes first.

How do I finalize my participation in the race?

After being notified of acceptance to the team, you will be responsible for completing the *Team Heart & Stroke Charity Runner Commitment Form* and returning it within 3 days. You must then complete your official NYRR registration and pay the entry fee by **September 1** to confirm your participation in the TCS NYC Marathon.

What is the fundraising commitment?

Runners must commit to raise a minimum of \$4,000 by Wednesday, October 27th, of which \$500 must be raised by September 1st. All runners must fundraise on the AHA designated site. The American Heart Association will provide you with tools and resources to help with fundraising. If you do not reach the \$4,000 goal, you will be required to donate the difference.

What happens if I withdraw from the race?

If you withdraw for any reason or cannot fulfill your \$4,000 fundraising pledge, you will be responsible for paying the balance.

How will the American Heart Association use the funds that I raise?

Every dollar raised allows the American Heart Association to continue to help improve patient care, accelerate research discoveries, support our under-resourced communities, and increase awareness about the risk factors of heart disease and stroke.

For additional information, contact Desiree Cooper at (212) 878-5924 or nycmarathon@heart.org.