Are you a runner and interested in a guaranteed spot in the world-renowned TCS New York City Marathon on Sunday, November 1, 2020?

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 801,000 lives a year. 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**

**How much money do I have to raise?**

Runners are required to raise a minimum of $4,000 to participate. ($1,000 must be raised by August 17, 2020.) If you do not reach the $4,000 goal, you will be required to donate the difference. The American Heart Association will provide you with tools and resources to help with fundraising.

**Where do I send my application?**

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

**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 17th or until all spots have been filled – whichever comes first.

**If I am accepted, when will I be notified?**

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

**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 August 17, 2020, to confirm your participation in the TCS NYC Marathon.

**What happens if I withdraw from the race?**

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

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

Money raised will help us build healthier lives through research, advocacy, education and quality care initiatives.

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