



OFFICIAL CHARITY

2021 Boston Marathon® Official Charity Program
Dream Big! Boston Marathon Team Application
125th Boston Marathon – Monday, October 11, 2021

Submit by mail to:

Dream Big!
Attention: Dream Big! Marathon Team
P.O. Box 550245, Waltham, MA 02455

Submit by e-mail to: info@dream-big.org

Thank you for your interest in running the Boston Marathon® with Dream Big!. While the required minimum is set at \$7,500 per runner, we will work with everyone to raise that amount and more. Set your fundraising sights high — and give your fundraising plan careful and serious consideration, as this plan is an integral part of your application.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis! All pages of the application must be completed and returned by e-mail or mail and applications will continue to be accepted until all spots are full. Please feel free to attach additional pages to any section if necessary. Questions? We're here to help! Email us at info@dream-big.org Thank you!

Also: You may be contacted to discuss your application. All information you provide is handled confidentially

CONTACT INFORMATION - Please print clearly

First Name: Last Name:

Home Address:

City: State: Zip:

Cell Phone: Secondary Phone:

Email address:

Employer: Position/Title:

Company Address:

City: State: Zip:

Sex: Female Male Birth Date: / /

T-Shirt Size: Singlet Size: Jacket Size:

Day of Marathon Shirt Preference: T-Shirt Style Running Shirt: Singlet:

What type of runner are you participating as for the 2021 Boston Marathon?

: You are applying to be a member of the Dream Big! Marathon Team and in need of a bib number

: You are a time qualified registrant for the 2021 Boston Marathon and have a bib number

: You would like to run the 125th Virtual Boston Marathon for Dream Big! (\$1000 Fundraising Minimum)

Does your company have a matching gifts program? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Matching Gift Policy:** Many companies match employees' charitable contributions. You can check with your employer to see if your company has this program, and ask donors if their employers match gifts. Many companies issue matching gift checks quarterly or semi-annually: therefore if you plan to use a match to reach your minimum, it is your responsibility to contact the matching company to ensure the check will be issued before the race date. If the companies match cycle is past the race date, or for some reason, Dream Big! does not receive the matching gift check prior to the race, the match cannot count towards your minimum.

If you are not selected as a member of the Dream Big! Charity Team for the 125<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon are you interested in joining our team for the Virtual 125<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**FUNDRAISING EXPERIENCE**

Have you participated in a marathon or a pledge event for a charity program before? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please complete the following: (Please list all experiences; add lines if necessary)

Name of Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Profit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

When did you participate: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount raised: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have any other experience fundraising for non-profit organizations? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please explain:

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What will your personal fundraising goal be? (**Minimum required is \$7,500 – Receiving number from Dream Big!**)

\$7500  \$8500  \$10,000  \$12,000  \$15,000  \$20,000  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What will your personal fundraising goal be? (**Minimum required is \$1500 – You have your own entry/bib number**)

\$1500  \$2500  \$4000  \$5000  \$6500  \$8,000  \$10,000 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Virtual Runners:**

What will your personal fundraising goal be? (**Minimum required is \$1000 – You will run the virtual marathon**)

\$1000  \$2000  \$4000  \$5000  \$6500  \$8,000  \$10,000 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What are your ideas for raising these funds? (Please be as specific as possible)

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Please note: Dream Big! staff and mentors will schedule fundraising strategy meetings with each teammate to help you reach and exceed your goals this season. In addition each runner will have a personalized on-line fundraising page.

**What other contacts will you be using to help you fundraise?**

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**Please answer the following questions as social media plays an important role in fundraising.**

Do you have: \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook Page (Name on Page: \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ Twitter: (Name of handle: \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ LinkedIn

Instagram: (Name of handle: \_\_\_\_\_)

How did you learn about Dream Big!?

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Please describe why you would like to run the 125<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon for Dream Big!:

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Did you or do you, or any of your children, play sports? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Do you have a specific story about how sports impacted yours or your child's life? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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What other community organizations are you involved with and in what capacity?

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What is the name of your home town newspapers: \_\_\_\_\_

**RUNNING EXPERIENCE**

Have you run a ½ marathon and/or marathon before? If yes, what events and what were your finish times for each:

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If no, what is the longest distance you have run? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you confident with proper training you could complete a marathon (26.2 miles) in less than 6 hours? (13.5 minutes a mile) \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your current weekly exercise/training regime?

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Do you have any prior injuries or specific reasons to be concerned about your ability to complete a marathon?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No If Yes, Please Explain:

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**TRAINING AVAILABILITY**

Dream Big! plans to hold monthly Zoom and in-person team meetings during training. These may be on weekends or in the evening. We will have exact dates in June. Do you foresee any conflicts in attending these meetings?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No If yes, what is the reason? (Please note if out of state we will provide weekly updates via e-mail)

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**Benefits to being a part of Team Dream Big!:**

Non-Qualified and Qualified runner benefits Include: professional coaching, weekly group training runs, fundraising support, Marathon Weekend Dream Big! Team Events, Team Apparel and more.



## Dream Big! Partnership Terms and Conditions for the 2021 Boston Marathon®

Please read the following carefully and sign at the bottom.

**Application Process:** Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis by Dream Big!. Once you have submitted your application, Dream Big! will contact you by phone/zoom to discuss your application further if you are selected to go to the next round in the review process. All team members must be at least 18 years of age, be capable of completing the Marathon in less than six hours, and comply with the terms and conditions listed below.

**Time Commitment and Resources:** Runners are expected to train and fundraise extensively to ensure they meet their financial commitment and complete the Marathon. We are here to support your Marathon goals and ensure that this is a positive experience for the entire team. Dream Big! will provide fundraising support and tips, a voluntary training program with a coach, and monthly meetings. Dream Big! recommends that runners attend the monthly Zoom meetings. We will actively communicate with you on your fundraising goal and check in with you frequently on meeting your fundraising targets.

**Uniforms:** All 2021 Dream Big! Marathon Team members will be required to wear a Dream Big! team singlet or t-shirt provided while participating in the 125th Boston Marathon.

**Fundraising Commitment:** A fundraising minimum of **\$7,500** is required to join the Dream Big! Marathon Team and receive an individual entry for the 125th Boston Marathon.

**There is a \$1500 fundraising commitment for runners with their own bibs and \$1000 fundraising commitment for virtual runners.**

If you are selected onto the team, a **non-refundable deposit of \$100** will be charged to your credit card, verifying your acceptance. The deposit of \$100 will be applied towards your fundraising minimum and holds a Boston Marathon entry number in your name. In the event that you do not meet the minimum donation requirement of **\$7,500 by October 15, 2021** Dream Big! reserves the right to charge the balance owed to your credit card, unless prior arrangements have been made. MasterCard, Discover, Visa and American Express are accepted. **All Dream Big! Marathon Team members will be required to have an on-line fundraising page via Dream Big! fundraising platform GivenGain.**

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** You may cancel your participation with the Dream Big! Team for the 125<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon, waiving your responsibility for the \$7,500 minimum, anytime on or before July 27, 2021. To do so, you must contact Linda Driscoll, President & CEO at Dream Big! in writing on or before the cancellation date. Your \$100 deposit fee is non-refundable and any donations raised and received by our office will not be refunded, even if you cancel before July 27, 2021. After July 27, 2021 you are solely responsible for raising or personally donating the \$7,500 minimum, even if for any reason, including injury, you do not participate in the 125<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon.

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**B.A.A. Race Entry Fee:** Dream Big! will inform you of the details of the B.A.A. race entry after you have been selected to join the Dream Big! Marathon Team. The B.A.A. charges a \$370 + \$25 race application fee that **does not count** towards your fundraising minimum. This fee will be collected separately at a later date to cover your entry fee. You should **NOT** contact the B.A.A. directly to secure your number.

**COVID-19 Mitigation:** Dream Big! requires that members of the 2021 Dream Big! Boston Marathon Charity Team comply with all protocols and procedures related to COVID-19 mitigation and public health for the 125th Boston Marathon. All event updates will be posted on the B.A.A. website and communicated directly to team members via email.

I acknowledge and agree that if the 2021 Boston Marathon is cancelled or postponed to another date for any reason, all agreements, representations, warranties and attestations contained herein will apply with equal force to the 2021 Boston Marathon and I will be obligated to submit the basic fundraising commitment.

**Release Form and Contribution Agreement:**

In consideration of my accepting this entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive, release and forever discharge Dream Big!, Dream Big! affiliates, and their respective officers, trustees, employees, sponsors, volunteers, coaches, representatives and consultants, the Boston Athletic Association and any and all sponsors of the Boston Marathon and the Dream Big! Marathon Team and all others in any way associated with the Event (collectively, the "Released Parties") from any and all liability, claims, damages, or rights of action of whatever nature or description, in equity or at law, present or future, resulting from or relating to my preparation for and participation in the Event. This means that I will not sue Dream Big! or any of its affiliated persons or entities, or try to hold them legally or financially responsible, for any harm or injury that might relate to my taking part in the Event. I agree to adhere to all stipulations of the Boston Athletic Association and the Boston Athletic Association's Entry Form and Participant's Agreement, Waiver, Release and Acknowledgement as required for official entry in the 2021 Boston Marathon. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to understand the risks and determine whether I am fit to safely complete this event and the precautions I should take. I attest and certify that my physical condition and ability to safely complete this event have been verified by a licensed medical doctor (except where the latter is in violation of religious principles) and that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained to complete this event. In addition, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and other communicable diseases and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 and/or other communicable diseases by participating in this event.

I also grant permission for use of my name and or photograph/video or voice in broadcast, telecast, print or any other account of this event, and all training and events surrounding it, and agree to waive any compensation for such use.

I agree to collect a minimum of \$7,500 (or \$1500 if have my own bib number) for Dream Big! by October 15, 2021, unless prior written arrangements have been made. If I have not reached the minimum in sponsorships by this date, I will personally be responsible for the balance owed. I understand that unless I cancel by July 27, 2021 Dream Big! reserves the right to charge the balance I owe to my credit card. I declare that I have exercised my own judgment in signing this agreement and I further declare that the decision to sign this agreement was voluntary and not based on or influenced by any representation of Dream Big!.

In the event of an illness, injury or medical emergency arising during the event or in the training and planning sessions for said event, I hereby authorize and give my consent to Dream Big! to secure from any accredited hospital, clinic and/or physician any treatment deemed necessary for my immediate care. I agree that I will be fully responsible for payment of any and all medical services and treatment rendered to me including but not limited to medical transport, medications, treatment, and hospitalization of an emergency.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The following person should be contacted in the event of an emergency:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies to medications: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Credit Card Information for 2021 Dream Big! Marathon Team**

A valid credit card is required to be considered for membership to the 2021 Dream Big! Boston Marathon Team. Please provide the requested information below. By providing us with your credit card information, you agree to being charged for any balance owed on the \$7,500 (or \$1500 if you have your own entry number) fundraising commitment, as outlined in the Terms and Conditions above.

**CREDIT CARD INFORMATION:** \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard    \_\_\_\_\_ Visa    \_\_\_\_\_ Amex    \_\_\_\_\_ Discover

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Expiration date must be after 10-15-2021)

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from address on page 1): \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Card Holder: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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