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2023 Boston Marathon Application Period Now Open for Charities and Runners

October 12, 2022 (Wellesley, MA) – The 127th Boston Marathon will take place on Patriot's Day next year with an in-person race on Monday, April 17, 2023. As a member of the Boston Athletic Association (BAA) Cities and Towns Program, the Town of Wellesley has a limited number of invitational entries to distribute to local nonprofits and the War Memorial Scholarship Fund. The application period for charities and runners wishing to apply for these entries opens today, **Wednesday, October 12 and runs through Monday, November 14.**

The Select Board will designate the organizations and War Memorial Scholarship Fund runners who will receive invitational entries for the 2023 race. Entry recipients will be notified by November 30, 2022.

To be considered for an invitational entry, nonprofit organizations should complete the Town of Wellesley [2023 Marathon Charity Application](#) found on the Town website.

Individual runners seeking an invitational entry are welcome to: (a) complete the Town of Wellesley [2023 Marathon Individual Application](#) (also on the Town website) indicating interest in running for the War Memorial Scholarship Fund; or (b) connect with a nonprofit organization recruiting runners.

Completed applications **must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 14** to be eligible for consideration. Return applications via email to Stephanie Hawkinson (shawkinson@wellesleyma.gov), deliver them to the secure drop box in front of Town Hall, or return them to the Select Board Office on the 3rd floor of Town Hall.

In 2019, the Select Board adopted the [Boston Marathon Invitational Entries policy](#), reserving up to four entries for Wellesley first responders and two entries for Wellesley residents and/or employees fundraising for the [War Memorial Scholarship Fund](#). The remaining entries are allocated to charitable organizations significantly contributing to the Town or some population of Town residents.

Charities receiving invitational entries are encouraged to give preference to Wellesley residents. Each charity must report the actual amount of funds raised through this initiative.

All runners receiving an invitational entry are expected to raise a minimum of **\$5,000**. A credit card number must be provided to demonstrate the commitment to raising this amount.

Questions about the Town of Wellesley Marathon program or application process may be directed to: Stephanie Hawkinson, Public Information Officer
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