

Big Shoulders Fund.®

2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon



Sunday, October 10, 2021

Registration Packet



Big Shoulders Fund is an independent charitable organization that serves inner-city schools which provide a quality, values-based education for Chicago's children, thereby contributing to stronger communities. One hundred percent of funds currently raised support four major areas – scholarships and enrichment, operational improvements, academic programs, and leadership development– with the goal of not just strengthening schools, but whole communities, and preparing students for life-long success.

Investing in the future

- 72 schools
- Serving nearly 20,000 students
 - 80% represent minorities
 - 66% are low income
- 600 teachers in Big Shoulders fund talent development pipeline
- 43% of principals receiving leadership training and coaching

Proven results

- Elementary students beat national averages for growth on standardized assessments
- 81% of scholars choose to attend a Catholic or selective/quality public school
- 94% high school graduation rate
- 85% graduating scholars enroll in college
- Alumni graduate from college at nearly 2x the national rate

Leveraging change

- Values-based education saves taxpayers \$250 million annually
- On average 5,000 students receive Big Shoulders Fund scholarships
- 64 schools adopted by Patrons with personal and financial commitment to build a strategic plan for the future
- 13 consecutive years of four- star ratings from Charity Navigator– fewer than one percent of charities achieve this
- Alumni go on to volunteer, work, vote, and study at rates much higher than their peers

Get involved

- Turnkey opportunities to make a difference from service events to ongoing mentoring, stock market program, school boards, tutoring, coaching, and more
- Hundreds of professionals involved in tutoring and mentoring across the city
- The Auxiliary Board has grown to 170 members and Chairmen's Advisory Council to 140 members

Big Shoulders Fund is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization.

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Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team

Team Information

If you run with Big Shoulders, you will receive:

- An opportunity to help carry the dreams of 20,000 children attending one of 72 Big Shoulders Fund supported schools
- Guaranteed entry into the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon that cannot be deferred to 2022
- Discount on Chicago Half Marathon registration
- Complimentary training program
- Personal website for fundraising
- Fundraising tips and support
- Monthly e-newsletter
- Training kick-off event
- Pre-race dinner
- Running shirt
- After race celebration
- Student notes and updates during training
- Summer fun runs with team members
- Non-running team events:
 - Give Back Day
 - Socials
 - Saturday Tutoring
 - Networking Speaker Series



To be a member of the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team you must:



Complete the Big Shoulders Fund team packet.

Register yourself for the 2020 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of your choice. This is separate from Racing Team paperwork.

Create your own personal fundraising page with the link that Big Shoulders fund provides.

Raise a minimum \$1,250 with the intention of surpassing.



It takes Big Shoulders to carry a child's dreams.

Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team Registration Form

The net proceeds raised by the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team members running the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or another marathon of their choice will be used to support the Big Shoulders Fund mission. One hundred percent of funds currently raised go toward programs that benefit Big Shoulders Fund's network of schools and the 20,000 students they serve through scholarships, academic and enrichment programs, instructional equipment, school facility improvements, faculty support, and operating grants.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening/Cell Phone: _____

Birth Date: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Race Chosen: _____

• Yes! I want to run for the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team. Initial Here: _____

• Yes! I will register and pay for the 2021 Chicago Bank of America Marathon. Initial Here: _____

• Yes! I would like to participate in the complimentary training program. Initial Here: _____

• Yes! I pledge to raise minimum of \$1,250 for Big Shoulders Fund by October 31, 2021.
o If I withdraw from the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon, marathon of my choice or the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team at any time and have not completed my agreed upon fundraising minimum of **\$1,250.00**, I authorize Big Shoulders Fund to charge my credit card indicated below the difference between \$1,250.00 and funds raised.

Initial Here: _____

Please charge my gift to: Visa MasterCard Discover Am Ex

Credit Card Number _____ CVC Code _____

Exp. Date _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return the completed Registration Form and the Waiver & Commitment Form to Kevin Pitts:
E-mail: kpitts@bigshouldersfund.org Fax: 312-751-5235 Mail: 212 W. Van Buren, Suite 900 Chicago, IL 60607



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Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team Waiver & Commitment Form

OPEN REGISTRATION

As a Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team member in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice, I understand and agree to:

Fundraising Requirements

As a Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team member I will raise a minimum of \$1,250 to support the students and schools served by Big Shoulders Fund —and will use my best efforts to achieve (or exceed!) at least that amount.

I also understand that the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team is an important fundraising initiative of Big Shoulders Fund, and if I run in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice and my best fundraising efforts do not result in at least \$1,250 being raised for Big Shoulders Fund by October 31, 2021, Big Shoulders Fund is authorized to charge any 'shortfall' (the difference between \$1,250 and the funds raised) to my credit card.

Injury Clause

If I am unable to run in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice because of injury, I will provide Big Shoulders Fund with a doctor's note and accept responsibility for raising at least \$625 for Big Shoulders Fund.

If I have already raised funds exceeding \$625, all such proceeds (raised in the name of Big Shoulders Fund) shall remain with Big Shoulders Fund.

If I have raised less than \$625 by the time I declare I am unable to run in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice, Big Shoulders Fund is authorized to charge any 'shortfall' (the difference between \$625 and the funds raised) to my credit card.

This \$625 will be used to help offset the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team expenses incurred by Big Shoulders Fund in conjunction with Big Shoulders Fund's participation in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice.

Publicity Clause

I grant a perpetual, royalty-free license to Big Shoulders Fund to use my name, image and/or likeness for the purpose of promoting the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team in any manner worldwide—either in print material, radio or television broadcast or online, in any manner whether presently in existence or hereinafter developed.

Waiver and Release of Liability

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily agreed to participate as a Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team member in the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon or marathon of my choice. I agree that I and/or my heirs, guardians, legal representatives, successors, distributees, and assignees will not make a claim against, sue, attach the property of, or prosecute Big Shoulders Fund or any of its affiliated organizations, staff, Board or agents for any losses, injury, death or property damage occurring to me as a result of my participation (either directly or indirectly) in any of the activities related to training and running with the Big Shoulders Fund Racing Team whether caused by negligence of Big Shoulders Fund, or otherwise. I have carefully read this Waiver & Commitment Form and fully understand and accept its contents.

Signature

Print Name

E-mail Address

Date

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