



## 2026 BANK OF AMERICA CHICAGO MARATHON

### Participant Waiver

The Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum and the Chicago Academy of Sciences (“Nature Museum”) is proud to serve as a Partner Charity for the 2026 Bank of America Chicago Marathon. With the Nature Museum Charity Team, your spot is secured and your fundraising supports the Nature Museum, a 501c3 organization.

Nature Museum Charity Team runners are required to raise a minimum of \$2,600. Each participant commits to raising at least \$2,600 by August 14, 2026. If participants do not meet their fundraising commitments, we will charge the remaining amount to the payment method attendees provide. Payment schedule: 50% of the minimum (\$1,300) is due by **April 9, 2026**; the remaining 50% of the minimum (\$1,300) is due by **August 14, 2026**. If payment is not collected, the participant will lose their race entry with no refunds issued.

Due to the unique nature of our charity guaranteed entries, we cannot cancel, withdraw, modify, or transfer any entries for the Nature Museum Charity Team. Once a participant is registered and confirmed with the Nature Museum Charity Team, the participant is still obligated to raising the funds regardless of injury, life events, personal challenges, or unforeseen circumstances that do not allow them to participate on race day. This marathon has strict policies that prohibit the transfer of race entries for any reason.

#### As a participant, I agree to the following:

- I acknowledge that the individual minimum fundraising goal is \$2,600.
  
- I acknowledge that 50% of the minimum fundraising goal is due by April 9, 2026; the remaining 50% of the minimum fundraising goal is due by August 14, 2026; and that if I do not meet my fundraising commitments by these deadlines, the Nature Museum will charge the amount to the payment method provided.
  
- I acknowledge that Charity guaranteed entries cannot be deferred or transferred.
  
- I acknowledge that in the event I am injured and/or cannot participate on the race day, I am obligated to fulfill the minimum fundraising goal as described above.
  
- I acknowledge that registering for the event is separate from any team paperwork.
  
- I acknowledge and agree to voluntarily assume all risk, including, without limitation, the risk of personal injury or illness, arising from or related to your participation in any Chicago Marathon activities. In addition, I agree that the Nature Museum and its members, officers, directors, sponsors, employees, volunteers, agents, representatives, successors and assigns (collectively, “Releasees”) shall not be responsible or liable for any claim, loss, damage, or injury (“Claims”), regardless of whether caused by the negligence or other fault of Releasees or any third party. I forever release, waive, discharge and agree not to sue the Releasees for any Claim. To the fullest extent permitted by



applicable laws, none of the Releasees are or will be responsible or liable to me or to any third party for, and I expressly waive all rights to seek, any indirect, incidental, consequential, special, exemplary, punitive, or other damages under any theory of liability, arising out of or relating in any way to being a Nature Museum Charity Team participant.

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Nature Museum Charity Team Participant Name

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Nature Museum Charity Team Participant Signature

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Date