



Frequently Asked Questions

Thank you for your interest in the Jimmy Fund 5K & Fun Run! Please don't hesitate to [contact us](#) with any additional questions.

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REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

Q: Can adults participate in the Fun Run?

A: Yes! The half mile Fun Run is open to all ages.

Q: Can children participate in the 5K distance?

A: Yes! Children may participate in the 5K race distance; however, we recommend the Fun Run option for children under 8 years old.

Q: Can I register my kids, family members, or other people in my group?

A: Yes! To register multiple runners, you need to complete a separate registration for each person and process each registration payment as a separate transaction.

Q: When is the deadline for registration?

A: If the field size has not yet been met, online registration will close at the end of the day on Thursday, July 19, 2018. If you miss the online registration cutoff, you may register in person on race day, however, we *strongly* encourage pre-race sign up. **Registration prices will increase by \$10 on race day! Guarantee your bib, and avoid the lines and extra cost by signing up early.**

RACE-DAY QUESTIONS

Q: Can I register on race day?

A: If the field size has not yet been met, we will offer race day registration. However, we *strongly* encourage pre-race sign up. **Registration prices will increase by \$10 on race day! Guarantee your bib, and avoid the lines and extra cost by signing up early.**

Q: How do I get to Millennium Park?

A: Millennium Park is located at 300 Gardner Street off VFW Parkway in West Roxbury. It is a quick drive from Boston and its surrounding suburbs.

Q: Where do I park on race day?

A: Limited parking will be available within Millennium Park. We recommend most runners park at West Roxbury Academy, located directly next to Millennium Park at 1205 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury. Please see our [Parking and Transportation map](#) for more information.

Q: What is the course route?

A: You can view the course map [here](#)—the course is fully enclosed within Millennium Park!

Q: Can I bring my dog?

A: Due to USATF regulations, dogs will not be permitted on the 5K course. Dogs are welcome to come cheer you on and attend the post-race party!

Q: Can I bring a stroller?

A: Strollers will be welcome on the Fun Run course, however, due to USATF regulations, we will ask 5K runners with strollers to self-seed towards the back of the race.

Q: When will I receive my bib number?

A: Bibs can be picked up on race morning from 8:30 – 10:00 A.M. at the bib pick-up tent on Field C.

Q: Will there be bag check available?

A: No. Please plan accordingly and bring only what you can carry. 21+ participants will need to bring a valid photo ID to receive a Harpoon tent wristband.

Q: What happens at the post-race party?

A: All participants are invited to celebrate their accomplishments at our post-race party! Immediately following the 5K, we will kick off the party with our awards ceremony, followed by live music. There will be complimentary food for all to enjoy, plus two Harpoon beer tickets for 21+ entrants.

Q: Are there volunteer opportunities available?

A: Yes! [Sign up today](#). Group opportunities are also available. [Contact us](#) for more information.

Q: Will there be a rain date?

A: No. The Jimmy Fund 5K & Fun Run is rain or shine.

FUNDRAISING

Q: How much do I need to fundraise to participate in the Jimmy Fund 5K & Fun Run?

A: Fundraising for this event is optional, but strongly encouraged! Your registration gift (\$35 for adults, \$15 for children 12 and under) is a tax-deductible contribution to Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund, which will count towards your fundraising total. A fundraising page will be activated for you upon registration. We encourage you to personalize your fundraising webpage and send the link to friends and family. Spread the word that you are running to make a difference in the lives of cancer patients and their families.

Q: I want to fundraise; what should my goal be?

A: We suggest aiming for a goal of \$250 per individual. You can always raise or lower your goal later on via your Runner HQ.

Q: What happens if I don't meet my fundraising goal?

A: Nothing! We appreciate any and all efforts to support Dana-Farber and the Jimmy Fund.

Q: Where does the fundraising money go?

A: The money that you raise benefits Dana-Farber Cancer Institute directly. Eighty-six cents of every dollar given to the Jimmy Fund directly supports cancer research and patient care at Dana-Farber.

Q: How do I use my online fundraising webpage? Where do I go if I have questions about fundraising?

A: If you are having trouble accessing your web page, or have any questions whatsoever about fundraising, please [contact our office](#) for help.

Q: Will I receive a Jimmy Fund 5K & Fun Run t-shirt?

A: Runners who raise or contribute \$100 or more (\$50 or more for children 12 and under) by race day will receive a Jimmy Fund 5K & Fun Run tech shirt! Your registration gift is a tax-deductible contribution that counts towards your fundraising total. Tech shirts can be picked up on race day before or after the race.

Q: How do I submit check gifts?

A: Checks and money orders can be mailed to the following address:

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
ATTN: Running Programs
PO BOX 849172
Boston, MA 02284

Please be sure to include your name, Jimmy Fund 5K, and your participant ID number, which can be found on the main page of your Runner HQ. Allowing 2-3 weeks for the funds to be processed and posted to your fundraising page.

Q: How long do I have to fundraise?

A: Your fundraising webpage will remain active from the date you register until one month after race day.

Q: What is Dana-Farber's tax ID number?

A: 04-2263040

Have a question not answered here?

Please contact the Running Programs staff at dfrunners@dfci.harvard.edu, or 617-632-1970.