

The Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K 2021 Update

Benefitting The Ryan Shaw Foundation

When: Saturday, November 13th, 2021

Time: 12:00 PM start

Where:

- 1255 Soldiers Field Rd.

Boston, MA 02136

- Virtual

Hello all,

Thank you so much for your support in participating in or sponsoring the Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K in the past. Your support of the Ryan Shaw Foundation has made a tangible difference in the lives of individuals across the globe, in addition to strengthening Ryan's legacy.

While the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to necessitate ample planning and safety measures, we are pleased to once again offer an in person 5K event! We will gather at the same course as in years past, DCR Artesani Park in Boston, on November 13th, 2021 to celebrate Ryan's life and legacy. However, if you are uncomfortable or unable to attend the fifth annual Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K in-person, we are maintaining a virtual aspect to the race in 2021 and highly encourage you to participate! If you wish to run virtually, please select the "virtual participant/captain" option on the registration page, provide your shipping address, and we will ship you a shirt. Please note, we may be unable to guarantee that shirts will be received prior to race day for virtual participants. Please share pictures and videos of your participation on Instagram – tag us @RyanShaw5k!

While we are excited to offer an in-person option for the 2021 Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K, the COVID-19 pandemic is a fluid situation, requiring ongoing monitoring and attention. We strongly advise all participants and sponsors to use personal discretion when evaluating if in-person participation is right for them and strongly encourage that in-person attendees be fully vaccinated.

Please keep in mind that if conditions change between now and raceday, we may be forced to reposition the 2021 Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K to an exclusively virtual event.

With that being said, we are still actively seeking contributions through donations or sponsorships at any of our sponsorship tiers to contribute to charities that impacted Ryan's life. Ryan developed a passion for charitable work with underprivileged children early on. While attending a high school service trip with Mustard Seeds Communities (MSC) to Montego Bay, Jamaica, Ryan aided in residential service projects and provided educational support. Ryan established a close connection with many of the children he assisted, even teaching one child how to draw. This year, proceeds from the Virtual 2020 Ryan Shaw Memorial 5K will benefit the Ryan Shaw Foundation, a nonprofit foundation established by the Shaw Family to give back to the communities and organizations that had an impact in Ryan's life. For 2020, all proceeds from this year's virtual

5K will support The Ryan Shaw Foundation, which will benefit in full the following three organizations: (1) Mustard Seed Communities, (2) The Haven Project, and (3) the Ryan Shaw '15 Entrepreneurial Education Program at St. John's Prep.

As a friendly reminder, the Ryan Shaw Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 tax-exempt charitable organization - we are happy to provide you an invoice for the event if you wish. If you have any additional questions regarding sponsoring this year's event, please feel free to contact us at Ryanshaw5k@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing you all on race day!