2027 CDPHP® Workforce Team Challenge*
Charity of Choice Application

*Presented in collaboration with the **Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club**

Thank you for your interest. If you meet *all* of the eligibility criteria below, we invite you to submit this application for Charity of Choice funding.

Only electronic applications will be accepted.
The deadline to apply is Friday, January 22, 2027.
Selections will be made the week of February 8, 2027.

Additional information, including a list of FAQs, is available at cdphpwtc.com/faq/

Eligibility Checklist

Your organization must:

- ✓ Be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit located, or providing services in, one or more of the following New York counties: Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Greene, Columbia, Schoharie, Montgomery, Warren, Washington, or Fulton.
- ✓ Be requesting funding for a program/project relating to hunger, homelessness, or the healthy development of at-risk youth and families.
- ✓ Be requesting funding for a new initiative, or one that will substantially expand or improve an existing program or project.
- ✓ Agree to participate in race-related media opportunities and at least two race committee meetings, provide 10 or more volunteers on race day, and publicly recognize Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club (HMRRC) and CDPHP for their support (e.g., through a press release, newsletter article, website mention, etc.).
- ✓ Agree to provide CDPHP and HMRRC an impact statement — within a year of receiving charity of choice funds — detailing how the program/project made a difference for your clients.
- ✓ NOT be requesting funds for capital or annual campaigns, staff salaries, fundraising events, or general operating expenses.
- ✓ NOT have been named a Workforce Team Challenge Charity of Choice in or since 2022.

Section 1: Organization Information

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact person/title: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

Organization's annual budget: _____

Proposed program/project title: _____

Funding needed for proposed program/project: $ _____

Section 2: Organization Description

A) Select the category that most closely aligns with your organization's mission:

- ☐ Hunger
- ☐ Homelesssness
- ☐ Healthy Development of at-risk youth and families

B) Briefly describe your organization's programs and services and the population they benefit. Be sure to highlight any specific accomplishments, best practices, or characteristics that distinguish your organization. (200 words or less)

Section 3: Description of the Proposed Project/Program and Justification for Funding

A) Briefly describe the program/project for which you are seeking funds, the need or problem it addresses, and the projected time table for implementation. State whether this is a new initiative, or one that will substantially improve or expand on an existing program/project. Attach an itemized budget for the program/project.

B) Other than funding, what are the potential barriers to the success of this project/program, and how do you plan to address them?

C) Who will be involved in implementing the proposed project/program (e.g., board members, volunteers, community or nonprofit partners, etc.)?

D) Using measurable terms, how will you evaluate the success of this project/program? Please be specific.

E) What direct impact/benefit will the proposed local program/project have on the population you serve?

Section 4: Supplemental Information

A) Do you have other sources of funding in place for this project/program? If so, please describe.

☐ No ☐ Yes

B) Has your organization previously received funding support from the CDPHP Workforce Team Challenge or the Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club? If so, please provide specifics (e.g., dates, amounts, projects or programs funded).

☐ No ☐ Yes

C) If your project/program is selected, how will your organization recognize CDPHP and the Hudson-Mohawk Roadrunners Club for their support of your program?

Before submitting your application:

- Make sure your organization meets all of the eligibility requirements listed on the first page of this application.
- Be sure to complete all sections of the application. Then send it as an attachment, along with a program/project-specific itemized budget and your 501(c)(3) federal tax exemption letter of determination, to tcmesick67@gmail.com.
- Check the spelling and grammar in your application.

Should your organization be selected as a charity of choice, the benefits include:

- Exposure to up to 10,000 individual runners/walkers, more than 500 companies, and a host of volunteers and sponsors.
- Inclusion in all digital and traditional media promotions, interviews, etc.
- Tabling opportunities.
- Logo placement on race T-shirts and descriptions of your organization's mission on the race website and the registration page.

► SUBMIT APPLICATION

If clicking the submit button does not launch your e-mail and attach your application, simply save the completed document to your computer and send it as an attachment to tcmesick67@gmail.com. Do not forget to also attach a copy of your 501(c)(3) federal tax exemption letter of determination and a program/project-specific itemized budget.