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Runners Raise More Than \$130,000 for Camp Korey in 2021 TCS New York City Marathon

Runners from around the country raised awareness and funds to support Camp Korey's free camp programs for children with serious illnesses and disabilities.

Mount Vernon, Washington, November 9, 2021—24 “Team Korey” runners traveled from WA, FL, NY, CA, OK, and MA to participate in the 50th anniversary 2021 TCS New York City Marathon, which took place on November 7. Camp Korey was among 400+ official charity partners providing thousands of runners the opportunity to run in the world's most popular marathon. Each Team Korey runner committed to raising \$3,500 as their individual fundraising goal. So far, over \$130,000 has been raised through hundreds of individual gifts, in-kind contributions, and corporate sponsorships from Windermere and Pacific Seafoods.

This year's Team Korey included two former campers participating as rider-athletes in two “Duo Teams,” proving that anyone can be an athlete. A Duo Team is a runner pushing a custom jogger with a rider athlete, and the NYC Roadrunners only allows six Duo Teams per year to run their marathon. The first team was runner Peter Kline of “Marathons with Meaning” and rider-athlete Cass Huff. Peter was joined by his nephew, Josh Kline, who ran while pushing Austin Koszorus.

“We are incredibly proud of the runners and rider-athletes who crossed the finish line, raising funds so our campers and families can experience connection and friendship at Camp Korey” said Camp Korey Board Co-President Chris McReynolds.

Since its inception in 2006, the TCS New York City Marathon Official Charity Partner Program has raised more than \$350 million for more than 1,000 worthy nonprofit organizations across the globe. Prior to the start of the official program, the New York City Marathon had served as an outlet for individual philanthropic runners since the 1980s. The NYRR Official Charity Partner Program offers an opportunity for nonprofit organizations to raise funds to support their missions and services. Participating charities can offer guaranteed entry to runners who fundraise on their behalf.

The 2021 TCS New York City Marathon commemorated the race's 50th running with runners from all over the world participating in-person and virtually. The marathon began in 1970 and has become one of the most anticipated annual mass sporting events in New York City.

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About Camp Korey

Camp Korey is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides year-round programming and transformational experiences for children living with life-altering medical in a fun, safe camp environment with specialized medical support. Located in Mount Vernon, Washington, Camp Korey serves youth ages 7-18 and their family members across the Puget Sound and the U.S., always 100% free of charge. Camp Korey is a member of the Serious Fun Children's Network founded by Paul Newman.

About New York Road Runners (NYRR)

NYRR's mission is to help and inspire people through running. Since 1958, New York Road Runners has grown from a local running club to the world's premier community running organization. NYRR's commitment to New York City's five boroughs features races, virtual races, community events, free youth running initiatives and school programs, the NYRR *RUNCENTER* featuring the New Balance Run Hub, and training resources that provide hundreds of thousands of people each year with the motivation, know-how, and opportunity to Run for Life. NYRR's premier event, and the largest marathon in the world, is the TCS New York City Marathon. Held annually on the first Sunday in November, the race features a wide population of runners, from the world's top professional athletes to a vast range of competitive, recreational, and charity runners. To learn more, visit www.nyrr.org.

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