



We build strength, stability, self-reliance and shelter.

To the Racine Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services,

On September 30, 2017, Racine Habitat for Humanity (RHFH), a 501(c)3 organization, is proposing to utilize Island Park, including the shelter located on grounds, as well as the bike path that travels out of Island Park to adjacent Lincoln Park and the south end of Colonial Park, just below the Root River where there is a gravel and mulch trail (see map).

In the past, RHFH has partnered with 5kevents.org as a beneficiary of one of their already established 5Ks. This year, we would like to venture on our own in the hopes of gaining awareness of our organization in the city of Racine and raise even more funds for future programs at RHFH.

The proposed 5 kilometer route is within a mile radius of a number of homes in Racine that have already been completed or are currently under construction. This route is comprised solely of trails, and there are only three points where it intersects with roads, where volunteers will be positioned to caution runners/walkers of oncoming cars.

A timeline is proposed as follows:

September 29 – 5:00pm-6:00pm, put up signs in grass along route to direct participants, begin setup of shelter for the race.

September 30 – 6:30am, finish any setup of shelter, open bathrooms if locked for volunteers, setup Start/Finish line. Volunteers begin to arrive.

7:30am-8:45am – Participants arrive for any day-of registration, packet pick-up, and participation of the event

8:45am – Warm up with employees of one of the local gyms

9:00am – Race Start

10:30am – Race officially closed, begin awards ceremony

11:00am – Event ended, begin cleanup

12:00pm – all signs, tables, equipment , etc. cleaned up and area checked. Bathrooms locked (if necessary).

We are hoping to have around 150 participants, but will be capping off attendance at 250. We also anticipate having approximately 20 volunteers to help RHFH on the day of the event. Besides the use of the shelter, we would like to have the restrooms open for the event for participants. In our Release Waiver, signed by all participants, we will note that runners do NOT have right-of-way when crossing streets and must obey all traffic laws as a normal pedestrian.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leigh Ann Elcano", written over a horizontal line.

Leigh Ann Elcano
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