



Congratulations and thanks for registering for The MOST Amazing Race.
We look forward to meeting your team on Saturday, July 26!

Qualifying Race Information

- The qualifying event will take place at the **Bierman Track and Field Stadium, University of Minnesota, 516 15th Ave SE, Minneapolis**. Here is a link to a [MAP](#) for this location.
- **Check in that morning is from 9:00-9:30am**. Instructions will be given prior to the qualifying race which begins promptly at 10:00am. If you are late, your team will forfeit your chance to qualify for the final race.
- Parking for the qualifying event is on your own. Paid parking is available in the 4th St Ramp or on street. See this [MAP](#) for parking lots and for the entrance to the track.
- In the event of inclement weather, check thesalarmy.org for weather-related announcements.
- Please bring picture identification.
- Dress comfortably and wear tennis shoes—prepare to be outdoors and to be active! You may get wet. We encourage teammates to dress alike, but it's not required. Your team can wear whatever you'd like.
- You will have a team photo taken as you register. This photo may be posted on thesalarmy.org/race08.
- Spectators are allowed at the qualifying race, although they may not be able to see you compete in all the challenges that morning.
- Teams with the top 20 best qualifying times will participate in the final race that afternoon.
- Each team member will receive a bag with free items from race sponsors—in addition, each member will receive a MOST Amazing Race t-shirt.
- All activities will be subject to video tape and photography that will be displayed on thesalarmy.org and will be used in Salvation Army promotions. So SMILE!

Final Race Information (for those teams who qualify)

- The starting line and finish line are at the end of the **Stone Arch Bridge** in Minneapolis. (located near West River Parkway and Portland Ave) Here is a link to a [MAP](#) for this location.
- **Teams must check in at the starting line between 1:00-1:30pm.** The race will begin promptly at 2:00pm.
- Teams will be given one free parking pass close to the starting/finish line area. See [MAP](#) for parking location and exact starting line location.
- Snacks and water will be provided for teams throughout the day.
- Each team is required to carry a cell phone with them. Race organizers will have team phone numbers in case we need to contact you while on the race course.
- A MetroTransit pass will be provided for each racer. You will have free access to buses and light rail all day by using the passes. Teams may only be on foot or use MetroTransit—no other form of transportation is allowed unless specified in a clue.
- Race marshals will be located along the entire race course to monitor racers. Teams violating the rules will be disqualified from the race immediately.
- The fast-forwards for the three top fundraising teams will be awarded before the race begins on July 26. A fast-forward means that a team may skip any one challenge along the race course.
- All race activities will be subject to video tape and photography that will be used for race publicity.
- Family and friends are welcome at the starting line for the 2:00pm sendoff and at the finish line. Parking for family and friends is available for purchase in other area lots.
- The finish line festivities will begin at 5:30pm with plenty of fun and excitement as we wait for our amazing teams! The \$5,000 grand prize will be awarded to the winning team and the top fundraising team will receive their prize. **Food will be provided for each racer and up to four guests per team.** The [Xcel Energy River Blast](#) will also be going on in the same area, with live music, family friendly activities, and food vendors. Racers and their guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs/blankets and to stick around to watch the incredible Target Fireworks display at 10pm.
- Thanks again for your participation and your support of The Salvation Army!

Whew...that was a lot of information. Finally, we want to let you know that your fundraising has helped The Salvation Army provide food and housing to people who have limited resources. You are doing the most good by participating in The MOST Amazing Race and we are deeply grateful.

If you have questions or concerns about this information please call Kristy at 651.746.3514 or email her at kristy.pluim@usc.salvationarmy.org. See you on July 26!