The Bank of America Chicago Marathon is known for its spectator-friendly, easy-to-navigate course. On October 9, join more than 1.7 million spectators as they cheer on thousands of participants from all 50 states and more than 100 countries. Let your applause fuel them as they push through the wall, tour 29 of Chicago's most historic and culturally diverse neighborhoods and stride toward the finish line.

## Schedule of events Friday, October 7 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Abbott Health & Fitness Expo; Packet pick-up McCormick Place; Lakeside Center, Hall D

# Saturday, October 8 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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# Sunday, October 9 7:20 a.m.

Marathon Wheelchair Start **7:22 a.m.**Marathon Handcycle Start **7:23 a.m.** 

Athletes with Disabilities Start (AWD)

7:30 a.m.

Wave 1 Start

8 a.m.

Wave 2 Start

9 a.m.

Spectator access to Grant Park begins

9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Bank of America Chicago Marathon 27th Mile Post-Race Party Grant Park, Butler Field

# **Spectator viewing areas**

As in years past, spectators will not have access to the race start and finish areas within Grant Park on race day. These areas will be accessible only to participants displaying their event-issued bib numbers, event staff with proper credentials, and ticketed guests (where applicable). Family, friends and individuals who are not registered for the race will not be able to escort runners to the start line or greet runners at the finish line.

We recommend that spectators support runners from elsewhere on the course, and meet runners after the race at the designated Runner Reunite area at the Bank of America Chicago Marathon 27th Mile Post-Race Party in Grant Park.

The 27th Mile Post-Race Party/Runner Reunite area of Grant Park (Butler Field) will open to spectators at 9 a.m. To access this area, spectators must pass through security and bag screening at Gate #1 (Jackson Dr. and Michigan Ave.) or Gate #3 (Congress Dr. and Michigan Ave.).

Recommended spectator viewing areas:

- To view runners closest to the start of the race, go to Grand Ave. between Columbus Dr. and State St., near Mile 1, or anywhere along State St. between Grand Ave. and Jackson Blvd.
- To view runners closest to the finish of the race, go to the Bank of America Cheer Zone at Michigan Ave. and Roosevelt Rd.
- After the race, family and friends should plan to meet their runners at the Runner Reunite area in Butler Field, located north of Jackson Dr., between Columbus Dr. and Lake Shore Drive.

# **Information presented by Molex**

Information presented by Molex will be available throughout Grant Park on race day. Information Tents will be available to assist participants and spectators with event information, course maps and general event inquiries as well as lost and found items. Information Tents will be located in the following areas:

- On the east side of Michigan Ave. at 11th St.
- On the east side of Michigan Ave. at Harrison St
- On Congress east of Michigan Ave.
- Within the Buckingham Fountain gear check area (participant only Information Tent)
- South side of Jackson Dr. between Columbus Dr. and Lake Shore Dr.
- West side of Columbus Dr. between Jackson Dr. and Congress Dr.

In addition to the six Information Tents, information teams of 2 to 4 individuals can be found throughout Grant Park and Michigan Ave. on race morning to assist participants and spectators with maps and viewing tips.

# Bank of America Cheer Zones Miles 13 and 26

Connect with Bank of America at two locations to support all race participants. We will provide the cheer items to help you support your runners. The Mile 13 Cheer Zone will be located on Monroe and Jefferson Streets (two blocks from Union Station). The Mile 26 Cheer Zone is near the finish line between Michigan Avenue and Roosevelt Road (two blocks from CTA Red Line Roosevelt stop).

Connect to the Bank of America Chicago Marathon, its neighborhoods, the city and each other at bankofamerica.com/chicagomarathon or at #ChicagoMarathon.

#### **U.S. Trust Cheer Zone**

Come support runners at the race's halfway point, just after they cross the Chicago River. The energy is certain as runners get ready to take on the second half of the race. The Cheer Zone will be located on Jefferson Street between Monroe and Adams Streets.

# **Merrill Lynch Cheer Zone**

Grab a bull bell and ring on runners at the Merrill Lynch Cheer Zone as they make their way through the West Loop. Located at Mile 16.5 (Halsted St. and Jackson Blvd.), just a few blocks from the CTA Blue Line, the Merrill Lynch Cheer Zone features a DJ and bull bells to give runners that extra bit of inspiration for the second half of the race.

# Join Nike race weekend

Nike will celebrate race week and race day with activities throughout Chicago, including special events, athlete appearances, race day course activations and post-race celebrations. Follow Nike on Twitter @NikeChicago, Nike+Chicago on Facebook and check out Nike.com/NRCChicago for all race week information and updates on how to book your spot.

### Runner updates and results

This year, eight McDonald's locations are proud to be designated as Runner Update Centers where Bank of America Chicago Marathon support staff will provide participant updates along the course. Drop by a McDonald's Runner Update Center to check your runner's pace and location on race day.

- 203 N. LaSalle St. (at Lake St.)
- 23 S. Clark St. (at Madison St.)
- 180 W. Adams St. (at Wells St.)144 S. Wabash St. (at Adams St.)
- 600 N. Clark St. (at Ohio St.)
- 2635 N. Clark St. (at Wrightwood Ave.)
- 1563 N. Wells St. (at North Ave.)
- 1664 S. Blue Island Ave. (at 18th St.)

# **Charity block party**

Thousands of Bank of America Chicago Marathon participants are running and fundraising on behalf of important local, national and global causes. To celebrate the impact these participants make, the Bank of America Chicago Marathon will host a Charity Block Party near Mile 14. Spectators, family and friends are welcome to cheer on their charity runners at the Charity Block Party located at Adams Street and Loomis Street near Whitney Young High School.

# **City Scents**

City Scents is offering "good luck" and "congratulations" floral arrangements and bouquets for purchase online and on race day. For delivery to a hotel, home or office, go to the marathon store at chicagomarathon.com or call 312.836.0211 or 800.886.1050; or stop in at the 209 E. Ohio St. location. City Scents also offers floral bouquets for sale on race day in Grant Park at four locations near the start/finish area.

#### Official race merchandise

Commemorate your achievement with official 2016 Bank of America Chicago Marathon merchandise offered by Nike. The Official Merchandise Collection includes commemorative performance running and lifestyle apparel and footwear and can be purchased at the following locations starting Tuesday, September 20.

- Bank of America Chicago Marathon Abbott Health & Fitness Expo (October 7 & 8)
- Nike Chicago,
   669 N. Michigan Ave.
- Nike Running Bucktown, 1640 N. Damen Ave.
- Nike.com/chicago
- Fleet Feet Sports Old Town, 1620 N. Wells St.
- Fleet Feet Sports South Loop,
   1520 W. Roosevelt Rd.
- Fleet Feet Sports Lincoln Square, 4762 N. Lincoln Ave.
- Fleet Feet Sports Lakeview, 3359 N Southport Ave.
- Fleet Feet Sports Elmhurst, 124 E. Schiller St.
  Fleet Feet Sports Oak Park,
- 102 N. Marion St, Oak Park, IL

# NBC 5 Chicago

NBC 5 Chicago and nbcchicago.com will provide complete live TV coverage and live streaming of the Bank of America Chicago Marathon on race day. The NBC 5 Chicago TV broadcast will air from 7 – 11 a.m. and the live stream will be available at nbcchicago.com from 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## 670 The Score

670 The Score will provide complete live radio coverage of the Bank of America Chicago Marathon on race day from 6 – 10 a.m.

# Download the Bank of America Chicago Marathon Mobile Application, Powered by TCS

The Bank of America Chicago Marathon mobile application, Powered by Tata Consultancy Services is the perfect on-the-go guide for the 2016 Bank of America Chicago Marathon. The free mobile application includes everything you'll need to be prepared for a great race experience, whether you're running or cheering on friends and family. Search the Bank of America Chicago Marathon in the App Store and Google Play to download.

# Participant arrival times

Wheelchair participants: 7:20 a.m. Runners: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. The Marathon starts in Grant Park at Columbus Dr. and Monroe Dr. The route travels north on Columbus to Grand Ave., west on Grand to State St., south on State St. to Jackson Blvd.

#### Mile 2 to Mile 4

Wheelchair participants: 7:26 a.m. Runners: 7:39 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Continues west on Jackson Blvd. from State St. to LaSalle St. and north on LaSalle St. to Division St.

#### Mile 4 to Mile 6

Wheelchair participants: 7:33 a.m.
Runners: 7:49 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Continues north on LaSalle St. from
Division St. to Stockton Dr., north on
Stockton Dr. to Fullerton Pkwy., east on
Fullerton Pkwy. to Cannon Dr. and north
on Cannon Dr.

#### Mile 6 to Mile 8

Wheelchair participants: 7:40 a.m.
Runners: 7:58 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Continues north on Cannon Dr. from
Fullerton Pkwy. to Sheridan Dr., north
on Sheridan Dr. to Inner Lake Shore Dr.,
north on Inner Lake Shore Dr. to Addison
St., west on Addison St. to Broadway and
south on Broadway to Roscoe St.

#### Mile 8 to Mile 10

Wheelchair participants: 7:47 a.m.
Runners: 8:08 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Continues south on Broadway from
Roscoe St. to Clark St., south on Clark St.
to Webster St., west on Webster St. to
Sedgwick St., south on Sedgwick St. to
Menomonee St.

## Mile 10 to Mile 12

Wheelchair participants: 7:54 a.m.
Runners: 8:18 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Continues south on Sedgwick St. from
Menomonee St. to North Ave. (eastbound
lanes), east on North Ave. to Wells St.,
south on Wells St. to Hubbard St., west on
Hubbard St. to Franklin St.

## Mile 12 to Mile 14

Wheelchair participants: 8:01 a.m.
Runners: 8:27 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Continues west on Hubbard St. to Orleans
St., south on Orleans St. to Franklin St.,
south on Franklin St. to Monroe St., west
on Monroe St. to Jefferson St., south on
Jefferson St. to Adams St., west on Adams
St. to Racine Ave.

## Mile 14 to Mile 16

Wheelchair participants: 8:08 a.m. Runners: 8:37 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Continues west on Adams St. to Damen Ave., south on Damen Ave. to Van Buren St., east on Van Buren St. to Ogden Ave. and northeast on Ogden Ave. to Jackson Blvd.

## Mile 16 to Mile 18

Wheelchair participants: 8:14 a.m. Runners: 8:47 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Continues east on Jackson Blvd. to Halsted St., south on Halsted St. to Taylor St. and west on Taylor St. to Laflin St.

### Mile 18 to Mile 20

Wheelchair participants: 8:21 a.m.
Runners: 8:56 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Continues west on Taylor St. to Ashland Ave., south on Ashland Ave. (northbound lanes) to 18th St., east on 18th St. to Halsted St. and south on Halsted St. to Cermak Rd.

#### Mile 20 to Mile 22

Wheelchair participants: 8:28 a.m.
Runners: 9:06 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Continues south on Halsted St. from Cermak
Rd. to Archer Ave., northeast on Archer Ave. to
Cermak Rd., east on Cermak Rd. to Wentworth
Ave., south on Wentworth Ave. to 27th St.

## Mile 22 to Mile 24

Wheelchair participants: 8:35 a.m.
Runners: 9:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Continues south on Wentworth Ave. to 33rd St., east on 33rd St. to State St., south on State St. (northbound lanes) to 35th St., east on 35th St. to Michigan Ave., north on Michigan Ave. to 29th St.

### Mile 24 to Mile 26

Wheelchair participants: 8:42 a.m.
Runners: 9:25 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Continues north on Michigan Ave. to Roosevelt Rd., east on Roosevelt Rd. (westbound lanes) to Columbus Dr., north on Columbus Dr.

# Mile 26 to Finish

Wheelchair participants: 8:49 a.m. Runners: 9:35 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The route proceeds north on Columbus Dr. to the finish line.



## **Spectator viewing areas by CTA trains**

Use Chicago's convenient and affordable CTA rail system to cheer on runners from start to finish at the 2016 Bank of America Chicago Marathon. Find out your runner's planned pace per mile to estimate when they will arrive at easy-to-reach locations along the course.

# Grand Red Line Station - Miles 1, 3 and 12

Board a Red Line train and exit at Grand Ave. (Mile 1). Walk three blocks west to LaSalle St. (Mile 3) and five blocks west to Orleans St. (mile 12).

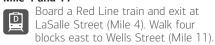
#### Monroe Red Line Station - Mile 2

Board a Red Line train and exit at Monroe St.

#### Chicago Red Line Station – Miles 3.5 and 11.5

Board a Red Line train and exit at Chicago Ave. Walk three blocks west to LaSalle St. (Mile 3.5) and four blocks west to Wells St. (Mile 11.5).

#### Clark/Division Red Line Station -Mile 4 and 11



#### Addison Red Line Station - Mile 7.75



#### Sedgwick Brown Line Station - Mile 10.25



Board a Brown Line train and exit at Sedgwick St. Walk a half-block north to North Ave.

#### **UIC-Halsted Blue Line Station -**Miles 13.5 and 16.5



Board a Blue Line train and exit at JIC-Halsted. Use the Halsted St. exit or Morgan St. exit. Walk two blocks north to Adams St. (Mile 13.5). Exit at Halsted St. (Mile 16.5).

### 18th Pink Line Station - Mile 19



Board a Pink Line train and exit at 18th St. Walk one block east to Ashland Ave.

### Halsted Orange Line Station - Mile 20.5



Board an Orange Line train and exit at Halsted St.

#### Sox-35th Red Line Station - Mile 23.25



Board a Red Line train and exit at 35th St. Walk two blocks east on 35th St. to State St.

#### 35th-Bronzeville-IIT Green Line Station -Mile 23 and 23.25



Board a Green Line train and exit at 35th-Bronzeville-IIT. Use the 33rd St. (Mile 23) or 35th St. exit (Mile 23.25).

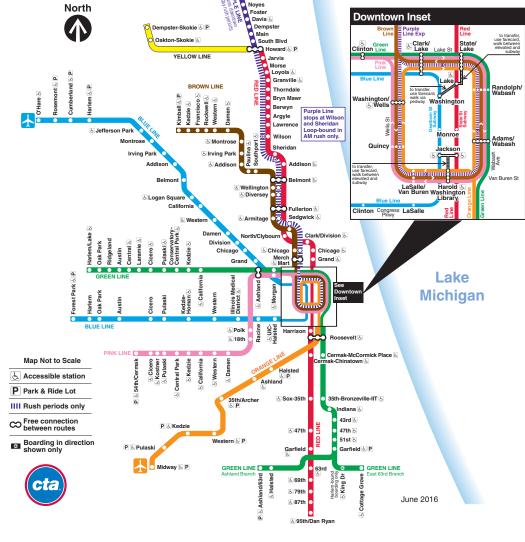
#### **Cermak-McCormick Place Green Line** Station - Mile 25



Board a Green Line train and exit at Cermak-McCormick Place. Walk two blocks east to Michigan Ave.

## Roosevelt (Red, Green and Orange Line) Station - Finish Line

Board a Red, Green or Orange Line train and exit at Roosevelt Rd. Walk east on Roosevelt Rd. toward the Museum Campus/Grant Park.



## **Transit information**

Call 312.836.7000 between the hours of 5 a.m. and 1 a.m., or visit transitchicago.com for information on Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus and train service for the Bank of America Chicago Marathon.

## **CTA** fare information

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) encourages participants and spectators to purchase CTA fares in advance to avoid waiting in long lines at the airports and at stations on race day.

## Cash fare

Accepted on CTA buses only. Exact fare (coins and bills accepted). No cash transfers available.

- Full Fare: \$2.25
- Reduced Fare: \$1.10 (applies to children ages 7 to 11 and customers with a valid RTA Reduced Fare Permit)

## Ventra ticket

Single-ride (\$3) and 1-day (\$10) Ventra Tickets are available at CTA station vending machines. These disposable tickets cannot be reloaded. Single-ride Ventra Tickets include one full fare and two transfers.

#### Ventra<sup>™</sup> Card

Purchase a Ventra Card for \$5 at CTA station vending machines, participating Ventra retail locations, by calling 1.877.NOW.VENTRA and online at ventrachicago.com. Once your card

is purchased, you can register it to have the \$5 charge immediately refunded as transit value to pay for rides. Just tap and board, and your card will be deducted full fares and transfers on CTA and Pace

- Full Fare: \$2 (bus); \$2.25 (rail); \$5 (from O'Hare)\*
- Full Fare Transfer: \$.25
- Reduced Fare: \$1.00 (bus); \$1.10 (rail)
- Reduced Fare Transfer: \$0.15 (applies to children ages 7 to 11 and to customer with a valid RTA Reduced Fare Permit)

Pay for up to 7 full-fare rides at once. Transfers must occur within two hours of first ride.

You can also load transit value and passes to your Ventra Card at CTA station vending machines, participating retail locations, online and by phone. Passes offer unlimited rides on CTA buses and trains for a specified period of time and include: 1-day: \$10; 3-day: \$20; 7-day: \$28. Passes cannot be shared.

\* \$5 O'Hare rate applies to people paying with Ventra Transit Account pay-per-use value.

#### **Bankcard or NFC-enabled mobile phone**

Use your own contactless bankcard or NFC-enabled mobile phone with Apple Pay or Google Wallet to tap and travel on CTA and Pace. Tap your card or phone to pay as you go. This symbol: ))) means your card is contactless.

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