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Little Rock Marathon Unveils 2024 Courses Winding Through City's Top Attractions

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (January 2, 2024) - Race officials today revealed the official courses for the 2024 Little Rock Marathon, half marathon, 10K and 5K taking place March 3. The loop courses boast tours of downtown, the Clinton Presidential Library, the Arkansas State Capitol and other beloved city sights.

The 26.2-mile marathon course starts downtown, taking athletes across the scenic Broadway Bridge into North Little Rock before returning back over the Broadway Bridge. This is a return to the 2020 marathon course, which was changed in 2021 due to the construction on Interstate 30.

The half marathon follows a similar route, which will include the Governor's Mansion and Central High School landmarks. The 10K and 5K courses run through downtown Little Rock, unchanged from 2023.

"We're excited to showcase some of Little Rock's iconic landmarks and neighborhoods along our marathon route," said Race Director Mike Garrity. "From the sleek design of the Clinton Presidential Center to the vibrancy of the SOMA District, athletes will get a terrific tour of our great city."

The Little Rock Marathon events benefit Little Rock Parks & Recreation, with more than \$1.6 million donated to the department since the race began in 2003.

Race weekend includes the Little Rock Marathon Health & Fitness Expo, presented by the Hatcher Agency; the Little Rock Marathon, presented by the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette; the Little Rock Half Marathon, presented by Baptist Health; the Little Rock 10K, presented by Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield; the Little Rock 5K, presented by Arkansas Federal Credit Union; and the Little Rockers Final Mile.

For more information on the 2024 Little Rock Marathon, please go to: <https://littlerockmarathon.com/course/>.

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About Little Rock Marathon

The mission of the Little Rock Marathon is to provide a premier event open to athletes of all abilities, while promoting a healthy lifestyle through running and walking and raising money for Little Rock Parks & Recreation. Since inception in 2003, more than \$1.6 million has been donated to Little Rock Parks & Recreation. Little Rock Marathon Race Weekend is held the first weekend in March each year and includes a marathon, half marathon, 10K, 5K run/walk, a children's mile and a free two-day health and fitness expo. With an estimated \$6 million in local spending annually, more than 200,000 individuals have participated in a Little Rock Marathon race, event, or free training program. This has been achieved through school-based programs, community outreach, partnerships with running/walking groups across the country and passionate grassroots promotion.

About Little Rock Parks & Recreation

Little Rock Parks and Recreation oversees 62 developed parks and twelve undeveloped parks totaling over 6,100 acres. In addition, the Little Rock Parks & Recreation offers a wide-range of youth and adult recreational and sports leagues, after-school and summer playground programs for children ages 6-15, outdoor recreation, therapeutic recreation and programs for seniors. Funds raised will continue to support parks and recreational programs for all ages. For more information about Little Rock Parks & Recreation please visit <https://www.littlerock.gov/residents/parks-and-recreation/>.