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**Thousands of Runners Continue St. Patrick's Day Celebrations by Turning Their Neighborhood Streets Green for the Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle**

*This Year's Annual Chicago Tradition Lets Runners Compete Virtually in a Variety of Distances from March 19 to March 21*

CHICAGO – The Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle, one of the city's most celebrated running events, is set to kick off in neighborhoods across Chicago and around the world this weekend. For more than four decades, runners have participated in this popular road race to commemorate the start of the outdoor running season and continue the city's St. Patrick's Day celebrations. This year's virtual race will continue the tradition as runners compete in a variety of distances from Friday, March 19 to Sunday, March 21.

"We're thrilled to see so many runners continue the tradition of the Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle in a new and unique way this year," said Executive Race Director Carey Pinkowski. "As a past participant, I know the energy and excitement the Chicago running community brings to this event and while we can't be together this year, we look forward to returning to the streets of downtown very soon."

More than 8,000 participants, including seven past champions, are expected to bring the spirit and celebration of the Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle to their own communities this weekend. While this classic road race is known for its 8K run, Shufflers will also have the opportunity to participate in the 2-Mile Walk or The Mile. Participants can download a personalized digital event bib number and will have access to a unique finisher certificate once they submit their event results.

Registered participants are also invited to add some extra excitement and competition to their race weekend experience by competing in The Deloitte Team Competition. The Team Competition is a fun way to bring the camaraderie of race day to running clubs, groups of friends, and corporate teams during this unique time. Teams will be scored in one of five divisions based on the average finish times submitted by the team over the weekend.

In addition to the run and walk, event organizers are also excited to launch a virtual Health & Fitness Expo. The digital marketplace will feature event partners and exhibitors offering the public an opportunity to explore the latest in running footwear, apparel and nutrition.

Individuals still interested in taking part in the 2021 Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle can sign up today through 11:59 a.m. (Central Time) on Sunday, March 21. The cost of an entry is \$30 for United States residents and \$55 for participants residing outside of the United States.

For additional information on the 2021 event, visit [shamrockshuffle.com](https://shamrockshuffle.com).

#### About the Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle

The Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle is long recognized as an annual rite of spring, a celebration of St. Patrick's Day and the kickoff to the outdoor running season in Chicago. The 2021 Bank of America Shamrock Shuffle will be held as a virtual event, offering individuals the opportunity to take part in an 8K, 2-Mile Walk or The Mile in their own communities. This year the event introduced an eight-week Training Challenge in 2021 to encourage registered participants to stay motivated and moving through the winter season. For more information about the event and how to get involved, go to [www.shamrockshuffle.com](https://www.shamrockshuffle.com).

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