



Boston - Know Before You Go!

Event Date & Time: Sunday, June 9, 2024; 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Event Location: Christian A. Herter Park, 1175 Soldiers Field Road, Boston, MA 02134

Walk Day Spirit: You are HIGHLY encouraged to come dressed up in your finest walk/team FLARE! We LOVE to see everyone showing their team spirit!

Parking: Free public parking at Herter Park, which is shared with Artesani Park. It is a busy, well-used lot on the weekend, so please allow enough time to find a space. You will want to park towards the right side of the lot, which is the side closest to our walk and registration tent.

Event Schedule: **9:00 am** walker registration/check-in, **10:00 am** opening ceremony with host and emcee, Karen Anderson, WCVB, **10:30 am** walk begins, **11:15 am** closing ceremonies

Registration: **ALL individuals who are attending the event need to be registered.** To ensure quick registration for all, please be sure your teammates are registered prior to arriving. Link to register: www.walktocurearthritis.org/boston
All registered and non-registered walkers should check in at registration.

Also at Registration:

T-Shirts: Walkers who have **raised \$100 or more** will receive an Arthritis Foundation t-shirt. Walkers who make a donation on-site will have the opportunity to receive a t-shirt at the end of the event if supplies are still available.

Team Captain Gifts: Special gifts for Team Captains will be distributed at the Registration Tent!

Door Prize Tickets: All walkers will receive door prize tickets to enter raffles of their choice. The prizes will be hosted at the Mission Tent.

Sponsor Passport: This is another chance to win! Visit every sponsor tent, complete your passport, and be entered to win a special prize!

Activities (Ongoing 9:00 am – 12:00 noon): LiveYes! Mission Experience, KidZone, DJ & Music by No Sleep Productions, Photo wall and team photos, JA Meet Up, Sponsor tents, and Warrior Connections!

Food & Drink: By popular demand, **Zinneken's Waffle Truck** will be returning for the 3rd consecutive year! They will be serving Belgian Waffles with your choice of toppings, coffee, hot chocolate, and bottled water. Available first come first served, while supplies last. We do recommend that teams and walkers bring some food (maybe picnic-style) to the walk to share with their team members.

Sponsors: We are thankful for the support of our National and Local sponsors, and we will have 10 vendors hosting booths at our walk! We will give each person a booklet that you can get stamped by each sponsor you visit. If you collect every stamp, you will be entered to win a prize, so make sure you stop by every booth on walk day!

Health & Safety: Currently, there is no mask mandate for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As a precaution, we will have a Sanitization Station set up with sanitizer wipes, hand sanitizer, and optional masks. We ask that everyone do their best, be mindful of the larger population, including our immunocompromised participants, and please make the choices that keep you feeling reassured.

Also, the extended forecast looks great, but that can always change so be prepared for anything and remember to bring sunscreen and bug spray.

Walk Route: The entire walk is 1.2 miles long along the Charles River and is completely handi-capable. The course is marked with signage and our team leads know the way! Feel free to bring strollers, wagons, carts, or whatever else you think is necessary to make the journey.

