



# TEAM REC

## AMWAY RIVER BANK RUN 2019



# MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

### **Join Team REC to raise awareness and funds to support tutoring and family advocacy for local refugees.**

Team REC (Refugee Education Center) is a group of individuals raising funds and awareness for the Refugee Education Center, a local organization providing support to refugee children and their families here in West Michigan. There are over 25,000 refugees in West Michigan from such places as Somalia, Burma and Rwanda. Over half of all newly arriving refugees are children.

### **Join the Team.**

As a member of Team REC you may choose to run the 25K, 10K or 5K run. You will receive plenty of support from other team members and from the REC.

### **What you will get as part of Team REC:**

- If you use Team REC for entry to the race, the cost of your entry will be covered.
- Access to an online fundraising page you can customize and share as an easy way for supporters to donate.
- Connection to a fundraising coach who will be able to help you plan your fundraising efforts as you prepare for the race.
- Pasta dinner the night before the race.
- A Team REC t-shirt.

### **Why Refugee Education Center (REC)?**

The Refugee Education Center is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization with the mission of helping refugee students and families adjust to living in West Michigan. The Refugee Education Center promotes education and fosters civic engagement. Over half of newly arriving refugees are children. Forced to flee their own countries, these children must learn a new language, adjust to a new school and new culture. The Refugee Education Center focuses on making these transitions successful for students and their families.

### **Tools**

We want to make this as easy as possible for you. Once you join the team, the REC will work with you to raise the support.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Joy Foster at [joy@refugeeeducationcenter.org](mailto:joy@refugeeeducationcenter.org) or 616.298.9883



# JOIN TEAM REC AT THE 2019 AMWAY RIVER BANK RUN

## IT'S AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3

### Step 1: Register for the Race

If you have already registered, great!

If you would like to register through Team REC, we will cover your registration fees.

### Step 2: Start Training

Training guides are available on the Amway Riverbank Race website. There are many group training opportunities – take advantage of them! If you would like to be connected to other TEAM REC members, we'll do that too.

### Step 3: Start Fundraising

There are many ways to reach (or exceed!) your fundraising goals. We are here to help every step of the way. We will set up a Kindful fundraising page – we'll send you a link and you fill in your goals.

Here are some ideas to help you create your own fundraising plan.

- Send an email to your friends, family and colleagues sharing your Kindful page.
- Share your participation on your Facebook, Instagram or other social media.
- Host a house party with a REC speaker.



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