



Montgomery County Interfaith 5k Run/Walk

Labor Day Monday
September 2, 2024 8:00 am

Maryland Soccerplex
Germantown, MD

The Race

Six Montgomery County religious communities are partnering to create the eighth annual Montgomery County Interfaith 5k. Our goal is to bring together communities of faith so people from diverse backgrounds can join forces to share a fun and health-promoting activity, teach acceptance through exposure and friendship and enjoy each other's company.

We would be honored if you would consider supporting this event financially or through in-kind donations.

The Beneficiaries

Religious groups like the Salvation Army, Lutheran Social Services, and Jewish Family Services have long been among the leading providers of social services in many parts of the United States. After the 2016 Inaugural race, the MoCo Interfaith 5k race committee decided to continue those traditions by agreeing to donate a minimum of 85% of the annual race profits to our local Montgomery County interfaith community. Last year, the race donated \$4,500 each to our beneficiaries, described below.

Gaithersburg HELP: To meet the immediate needs of families affected by financial challenges, local churches and synagogues joined together in 1968 to form Gaithersburg HELP in an effort to **provide short-term assistance** in a coordinated fashion. Today, our network comprises more than 22 member congregations and 200 volunteers working together to help those in need within the greater Gaithersburg area. We also receive substantial support from local businesses and civic organizations. A team of committed translators help us serve our diverse community, especially Spanish-speaking clients. www.gaithersburghelp.org

C-4: C-4 is an interfaith group founded in 1968 to serve the needs of the Colesville Community. Currently, C-4 has 19 member organizations representing many different religious faiths located within the Colesville Corridor, including Christian, Jewish, and Muslim, congregations united in community service. Any Montgomery County resident who can show some proof of need is eligible to shop at C-4 FREE OF CHARGE. C-4 has 4 main arms: the **Clothes Closet**, the **Baby Closet**, the **Holiday Toy Closet**, and the **School Supply Program**. With just two part-time employees, volunteers and donations of both time and money are always needed. c4clothescloset.com

The Congregations

Shaare Torah is a transformative Jewish community that connects every participant to each other, the Jewish people, Jewish tradition, humanity, and God. We are a small congregation with very high levels of participation and leaders who personally ensure that members are never out of touch. Our programs are intimate and tailored to individual interests, while making Jewish law and custom more engaging by balancing the practices of Conservative Judaism with the issues of the world around us. We invite you to join us in celebrating spirit, mind, and body! www.shaaretorah.org

The **Interfaith Families Project** of Greater Washington (IFFP) is an independent community of interfaith families and others. We are committed to sharing, learning about, and celebrating our Jewish and Christian traditions. Now in our third decade, we have grown to over 100 families from Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, DC, with virtual members across the country and around the world. IFFP is a place where both Jewish and Christian partners can feel like equal members of the community, celebrating and learning about both faiths. At IFFP, we "teach not preach." www.iffp.org

The **Islamic Center of Maryland (ICM)** is a 501-C3 non-profit organization with an operational philosophy based on the Holy Qur'an and the teachings of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). Muslim families who visit ICM work toward fulfilling their religious obligations and striving for spiritual, intellectual, social and economic well-being. The Center strives to build a working relationship with people of all faiths to promote understanding, tolerance, and activism that benefits all. www.icomd.org

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is a loving and caring Christian community working together to live and proclaim God's word made known to us in Jesus. We are devoted to growing spiritually, to valuing differences and to serving the neighbors and the creation God has given us. We invite you to visit us to deepen and strengthen your connection to God and others! www.poplutheran.org

The **Islamic Society of the Washington Area (ISWA)** was founded in 1973 to serve the spiritual, religious and social needs of the growing Muslim population. We aim to nurture faith, uphold values and foster well being of the community around us through worship, charity, education, outreach and civic engagement. We are non-sectarian and encourage visitors of all faiths to visit and learn more about Islam. Through mercy and understanding we strive to create a more peaceful and loving world. www.facebook.com/ISWAinMd/

Trinity Lutheran Church. We believe God created a world in which all people belong, in beautiful diversity. Thus Trinity strives to be an inclusive and affirming Christian congregation in which everyone, without exception, is welcomed and affirmed, included and loved. As a community committed to promoting peace, advocating for those who need support, and building a healthier community, we give thanks for God's grace and respond to God's call through connecting, serving, and worshiping. www.trinityelca.org.

Sponsorship: What's in it for you?

- Consumers like to support businesses that support the community
- Build awareness for brand name or corporate identity
- Access to targeted audience of local consumers
- Cross-promotion and networking with other sponsors
- Build employee morale and company pride
- Generate community goodwill
- Drive sales at retail outlets
- Online exposure to local community

Donation. I cannot sponsor at this time but will support the MoCo Interfaith 5k with a donation of \$ _____.

In-kind gifts are always welcome and may be considered for sponsorship based on the needs of the race and the retail value of the donation.

	Silver \$250	Gold \$500	Platinum \$750	Blessed \$1000+
Verbal Recognition at Event	3x	4x	5x	6x
Mention and link on Facebook fan page	2x	2x	3x	4x
Mention in advertising emails	Listing	Listing and Link	Link and Logo	Top Link and Logo 2x
T-shirt design	Small Logo	Small Logo	Medium Logo	Large Logo
Website listing	Small Logo	Medium Logo	Large Logo	Premium placement at top
Promotional Table (provided by sponsor)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Complimentary race entries	2	5	8	10

Sponsorship. Please make checks payable to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. To ensure you receive full recognition, ***please submit a high-resolution logo by August 9, 2024.*** Mail Registration Form with check to MoCo Interfaith 5k, C/O Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 11900 Darnestown Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

Sponsorship Agreement

Company Name	_____	Contact Name	_____
Address	_____	Phone	_____
Sponsorship Level	_____	Email	_____
How did you hear about us?			

Race registration opens May 15, 2024. An early commitment and signed sponsor contract will ensure exposure to all pre-race events and inclusion in advertising and collateral materials. A race flyer will be distributed to running shops, businesses and health clubs in the area. ***To ensure maximum exposure, submit your sponsorship registration as early as possible.***

For questions, please contact your race representative or email the race director at interfaith5k@gmail.com.