



## Runner Guide

Runners and friends! We can't wait to see you for the 21st running of the Novant Health Charlotte Marathon, half marathon, and Chick-fil-A 5k events. Below you'll find everything you need to know in order to make your experience safe, fun, and hassle-free. Please review all of the information below. There's plenty new this year, and it will affect every participant.

If you're not able to participate with us or need to defer or transfer your event entry, you can manage your registration [here](#). Still need help? You can reach out to [registration@runcharlotte.com](mailto:registration@runcharlotte.com)

**Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Packet Pickup** is at the **2025 Novant Health Charlotte Marathon Expo Presented by Fleet Feet**. Make plenty of time to visit with our Sponsors and Partners at the Expo. It's 80,000 square feet of fun you'll want to experience!

### **Expo Location:**

Charlotte Convention Center, Hall C1 & C2, 501 S College St, Charlotte, NC 28202

### **Expo Parking Info:**

Check out parking info here or take the Light Rail! We recommend avoiding the NASCAR Hall of Fame parking deck. It gets congested quickly. There are plenty of other nearby parking options.

### **Time:**

Friday 11/14 - 10am - 7pm

### **Bib Pick up:**

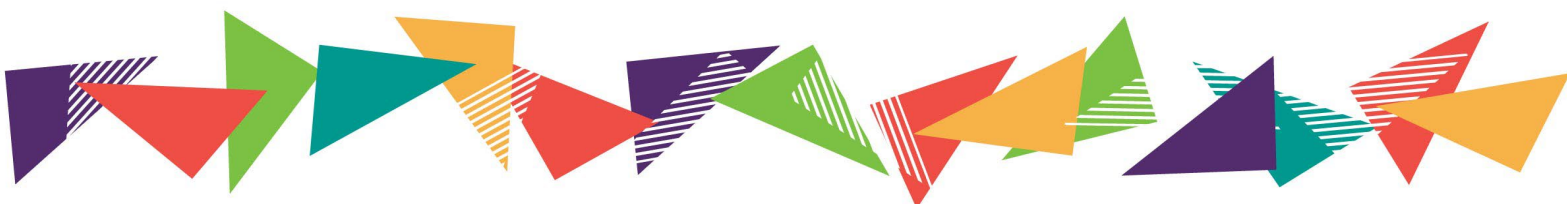
Bring your registration code and ID! You can pick up at any open bib pick up counter! Family and friends must have a copy of your photo ID to be allowed to pick up your packet (a photo on your phone is fine). Pin this on the **FRONT** of your outermost layer on race morning.

### **T-shirts:**

Grab your shirt at the Expo, too! Shirt exchanges are not available until after Saturday's race. Check out the Solutions tent on Mint Street for potential shirt exchanges.

### **NOTE:**

**There is NO Packet Pickup available on race day unless you pre-purchased the Will Call Packet Pickup option at registration.**





## Race Day Details

Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

[Check out the Event Map here!](#)

### Arrive Early:

You'll be running alongside 11,000+ participants! Give yourself extra time.

We suggest the following:

- **6:00 am** - In your chosen parking spot
- **6:30 am** - Check your bag with Gentle Giant on the corner of MLK and Mint Street using the clear bag and sticker provided at Packet Pickup.
- **6:45 am** - Use the restroom INSIDE the Baseball stadium or at the Porto Johns on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street & Tryon Street, or at MLK & Tryon Street
- **7:00 am** - Be in your corral
- **7:20 am** - Full and Half start
- **7:35 am** - Chick-fil-A 5k start

The Start Line for all distances is located at 525 S Tryon Street between Brooklyn Village Ave and Levine Ave of the Arts.

- Corrals go back to Fourth Street and open at 6:30am and close 15 minutes prior to your start time
- **Full and Half Marathon runners and Ruckers:** 7:20am start time. Start line will close at 7:30am.
- **5K:** 7:35am start time. Start line will close at 7:45am.

If you miss the start time for your registered distance and start after your event start line has closed, you will receive the gun time as your start time.

### Course Maps:

- Marathon - [Map](#) - [Turn By Turn](#)
- Half Marathon - [Map](#) - [Turn By Turn](#)
- 5k - [Map with Turn By Turn](#)

Find Uptown [parking here](#) or take [Light Rail!](#) Light Rail is a great option, avoid the traffic and get off just 2 blocks from the Start Line!





### Will Call:

If you selected Will Call at registration, you will find your packet at the **Solutions Tent** on Mint St. Saturday morning, November 15 starting at 6:00 AM.

- **Will Callers:** You may also grab your packet at the Expo but, please go to the Solutions Desk as opposed to the regular pick-up line. Your packet will only be available at the Solutions desk.

### Restrooms and Portable Toilets:

Please use the restrooms inside the Knights' baseball stadium – warm seats and 2-ply paper!! Portable toilets will also be available on streets adjacent to Tryon St. near the start line. Of course, if you're staying in a hotel in Uptown Charlotte, please feel free to use the restroom in your hotel room.

### Race Day Bag Check:

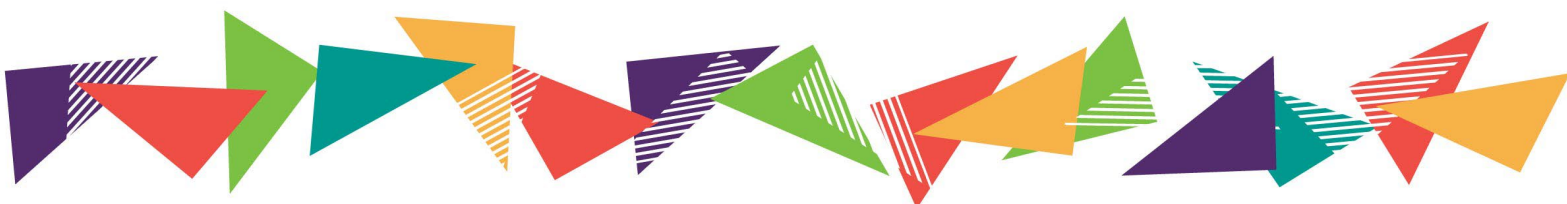
Located at the Corner of Mint Street and MLK. Look for the HUGE Gentle Giant truck, fill your Novant Health Charlotte Marathon Bag picked up at Expo, write your bib number on the sticker and stick it on the bag, check it, and pick it up when you finish. This is located at least two blocks from the start line and one block from the end of the finish corral.

### Corrals:

For ease of congestion at the start line, we will be utilizing start corrals for the marathon, half marathon, half marathon ruck and 5k. On race week, you will be assigned a corral based on the time you entered for your Estimated Finish Time. You are able to move back in corrals, but you will not be able to move forward into a faster corral. You are able to edit your estimated finish time within your registration portal up until the week of the event.

### Pace Team:

If you're after that Personal Best, Boston Qualifying Time, or just want to find a group running your speed, look for the Novant Health Charlotte Marathon/Charlotte Running Club Pace Team in the starting corral. Pacers will lead groups to the finish at the following goal times:





Marathon	Half Marathon
3:00:00	1:30:00
3:15:00	1:37:30
3:30:00	1:45:00
3:45:00	1:52:30
4:00:00	2:00:00
4:15:00	2:07:30
4:30:00	2:15:00
4:45:00	2:22:30
5:00:00	2:30:00
5:15:00	2:37:30
5:30:00	2:45:00
5:45:00	2:52:30
6:00:00	3:00:00

### Clothing Drop:

Wear your goods and toss them in the Clothing Drop boxes pre- and post-start. Clothing donations will go to [Project Outpour](#).

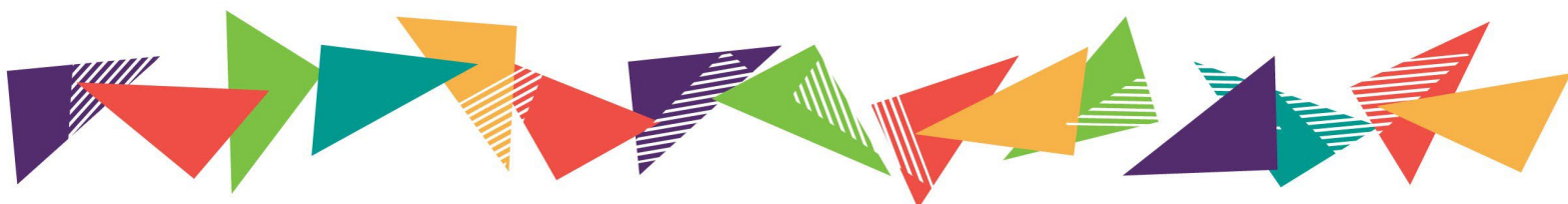
### Aid Stations:

Locations are [here](#) and each feature Midas water, Gatorade, GU at Miles 8, 14, and 20, and all aid stations have porto johns! Hiccups will be the silicone water cup at the first half of the marathon so make sure you toss those in the black bins! Gatorade cups have, well... Gatorade.

The Finish line is located on [4th street](#). Join us to cheer on the runners -

First finisher's estimated times -

- **5k** - 7:51am
- **Half** - 8:32am
- **Full** - 9:45am





### Finisher Medals:

Volunteers will have them for you just past the finish line!

### Publix Runner Bag:

Grab your Publix food bag just after medals and enjoy it in the Finish Line Festival area in Romare Bearden Park!

### Medical:

Novant Health Medical Tent is open and available to all runners just past the finish line.

### Finish Line Festival:

Join us for the Finish Line Festival at Romare Beardon Park - Vendors, Food Trucks, DJ Rosice, Run Club Way, giveaways, a live band and more!

### Overall and Age Group Awards:

Join us in front of the Main stage in Romare Beardon Park for Awards! Must be present to claim your amazing award!

- **5k** - 8:30am
- **Half** - 10am
- **Full** - 12pm

### Results:

Scan the QR code on your bib for a direct link to your results!

### Pictures:

FinisherPix is the official photographer at the 2025 Novant Health Charlotte Marathon.

- Your personal race photos will be available [here](#).
- You will be able to access a FREE Finisher picture also!

### Map:

Looking for water stops, mile markers, and anything else race map related - [look here](#).

### Questions?

**Look for the Solutions Tent on Mint St. throughout the event --  
WE CAN HELP!**

