



July 30, 2024

Mr. Bryan Healy
Village of Croton-on-Hudson
1 Van Wyck Street
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

Dear Bryan,

In planning for this year's Harry Chapin Memorial Run Against Hunger we have once again decided on staging a hybrid event incorporating both a virtual event – run when and where you want -as we did in 2023 - and an in-person event based at Croton Harmon High School as we have traditionally done. The virtual event will have a window of October 12th-19th for participants to run or walk while the in-person event would be held on October 20th.

Last year, our pre-race registration and tee-shirt pickup for both our virtual event and in-person events were inside at Asbury United Methodist Church. This year we are planning for the same operation. If for some reason, we need to move this operation outdoors, as we had to in 2021 due to COVID-19, then we would implement a drive-through pickup operation by roping off some parking spaces in the middle of the Asbury United Methodist Church parking lot for easy traffic flow during our hours of operation while leaving access to the parking lot and the parking spaces along the guardrail open to the general public.

We will be supplying the Village with an Additional Insured liability insurance certificate to cover this use of the parking lot for the dates listed below. If we can operate safely indoors then the discussion above about our special use of the parking lot would be moot.

2024 Bib/Shirt Pickup Dates at Asbury Church

October 12	10:00 – 3:00pm pick-up and in-person registration
October 17	3:30 – 6:30pm pick-up and in-person registration
October 19	10:00am – 3:00pm pick-up and in-person registration

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We intend to use the same event starting times and courses as we had in 2023:

- 5K Run/Walk at 8:30 am
- 10K Run at 10 am
- One mile Fun Run at 11:45am

We will incorporate wave starts if necessary. We have made initial contact with Chief John Nikitopoulos of the Croton Police Department, Chris Caterino of Croton Fire Department and Ken Gileo of Croton Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and we will be scheduling meeting(s) with those organizations over the coming months to review operational details for our in-person events.

In addition to the aforementioned departments and organizations, as in years past, we will also need support from the Department of Public Works (DPW) for sawhorses, cones and the hanging of our banner. We will be reaching out to DPW to coordinate these efforts as in years past.

We are deeply grateful to the Village Board of Trustees and Village officers and staff for their unwavering support over the past 44 Years. We realize that an event such as ours cannot be sustained without the enthusiastic support and co-operation we have always received throughout Croton Village government and the wider Croton community.

We look forward to working with you and others named above and their teams to stage a safe and fun 2024 Harry Chapin Memorial Run and Walk Against Hunger.

Thank you all!

Sincerely,

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