

Team Captain Checklist & Timeline

Your 20-Week Roadmap to Inspire, Fundraise & Lead the Way to Cures

Week 1: REGISTRATION OPENS ☐ Register as a Team Captain ☐ Set a Fundraising & Recruitment Goal ☐ Customize Your Team Page (add a photo, story, team name + message of hope) ☐ Send Personal Invitations to Join Your Team ☐ Share on Social Media using your unique team link and why this walk matters to you Weeks 2-6: BUILD YOUR BASE ☐ **Recruit 5–10 Team Members** to get early momentum (consider friends, family, or co-workers) ☐ Engage your Company to see if they will match donations or sponsor an event ☐ **Host a Virtual or In-Person Kickoff** to share your vision and inspire others ☐ Make a Personal Donation to lead by example ☐ Ask Early Joiners to Share Their Story to help recruit more walkers ☐ Check in on Progress Weekly via your team dashboard ☐ **Download the City of Hope Fundraising app**, relaunching with fresh features mid-May Weeks 7-12: ACTIVATE FUNDRAISING ☐ Encourage Each Member to Raise \$100+ (or set your own benchmark) ☐ Use the Walk for Hope Fundraising Toolkit (emails, social graphics, flyers) ☐ Highlight a Different Teammate Weekly on social or email ☐ **Plan a Simple Team Fundraiser** (spirit night, bake sale, giveback day) Weeks 13–16: SPARK ENERGY & DRIVE GROWTH ☐ **Revisit Your Goals** — Can you recruit 5 more walkers or raise an extra \$500? ☐ Post a Progress Update to thank your team and re-energize them ☐ Share Stories of Survivors or Honorees your team is walking for ☐ Coordinate Team Apparel or Signs for Walk Day

☐ Start Talking About Walk Day Logistics (carpools, meeting spot, etc.)

Weeks 17-19: FINAL COUNTDOWN

- ☐ Send Final Emails & Texts to Your Team with walk-day info
- ☐ Encourage Last-Minute Donations remind donors every dollar counts
- ☐ **Double Down on Social Sharing** with countdown posts and personal messages
- ☐ Remind Your Team to Wear Their Gear and arrive early for a team photo
- ☐ Celebrate Your Team's Progress shout-outs, top fundraiser highlights, etc.

Week 20: WALK DAY!

- ☐ Arrive Early & Check In
- ☐ Meet Your Team at Your Designated Spot
- ☐ Take Photos & Walk with Purpose every step brings us closer to cures
- ☐ Celebrate, Honor, Remember this is a day of hope and togetherness

Post-Walk: KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING

- ☐ **Send Thank-Yous** to every team member and donor
- ☐ Share Your Team's Total Impact on social and in email
- ☐ Invite Teammates to Stay Involved in future City of Hope events
- ☐ Reflect and Reset what inspired you, and how can you build on it next year?



Need help? Contact walkforhope@coh.org.