



56th annual Calgary Marathon Race Weekend postponed due to COVID-19
Race organizers work to establish a new 2020 date, targeted for summer or early fall.

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Calgary, Alberta Organizers of the 56th Annual Scotiabank Calgary Marathon, originally scheduled for Sunday, May 31st, have announced that the race will be postponed until later this year.

Over the past several weeks, the Calgary Marathon Society (Run Calgary) has been monitoring updates from Calgary Emergency Management Agency (CEMA), city, provincial, federal, and international public safety and health agencies regarding the global coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Run Calgary anticipated changes to the Scotiabank Calgary Marathon race weekend and have been coordinating with local agencies and partners to secure a reschedule date for the 2020 Scotiabank Calgary Marathon, 50KM Solo and Relay, Centaur Subaru 21.1KM, Jugo Juice 10KM and GoodLife Fitness 5KM Walk and Run. The goal is to reschedule the races for summer or early fall and participants will be updated as soon as a date is secured. Please watch for updates on both the Run Calgary and Calgary Marathon social media channels.

“Like our participants, we were disappointed to have to move the race to a later date, but we strongly feel it is the responsible thing to do,” said Kirsten Fleming, Executive Director of Run Calgary. “This situation is moving so quickly locally, nationally, and world-wide and we all have to work together to try to stop the spread of this virus.”

Registered runners in the 2020 Marathon weekend of events will be given the chance to run their race on the rescheduled date or choose from other options, the details of which are in process. Fleming said all options will be made public as soon as possible. “We understand a postponement might not work for some of our participants and we are working hard to determine alternate options for those runners,” Fleming said. “We appreciate the patience, understanding, and concern of all those affected during this stressful time.”

The organization’s mandate is through extraordinary experiences Run Calgary inspires people to move, cultivating healthy communities that are passionate about giving back. This year, the marathon and other race weekend distances were scheduled to receive a sold-out, 10,000-plus participant field from every province and territory and 17 countries.

The Scotiabank Calgary Marathon is produced by Run Calgary, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting the health of the Calgary community. The organization carries out its mission by providing year-round opportunities to move for people of all ages and abilities, including working with 75 Calgary and area schools to get kids moving.

Run Calgary officials are looking forward to the opportunity for Scotiabank Calgary Marathon entrants to start and finish at iconic Stampede Park at a future date in 2020.

For questions regarding the postponement of the 2020 Scotiabank Calgary Marathon, please visit www.calgarymarathon.com

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