

From a Team

On October 27, 2013 over 900 runners in support of the Semper Fi Fund will be running in the Marine Corps Marathon.

As a member of the Semper Fi Fund Team my goal is to raise \$_____ and to promote the continuing needs of our nation's injured service members. I need your help to reach my goal!

I've joined/formed [Team Name] in honor/memory/support of [describe your personal connection to the cause]. My teammates are going to join me at the Marine Corps Marathon 2013.

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The needs of our wounded continue to grow. Many service members will need long-term assistance as they adjust to lives that are forever changed due to the extent of their injuries.

Thank you for supporting me and my team in our efforts to make an impact.

Sincerely,

[Name]

P.S. Don't forget to ask your employer if they provide matching gifts for your donation.

From a Volunteer

They've given so much - now it's our turn.

In October, I'm volunteering for the Semper Fi Fund because [INSERT YOUR PERSONAL CONNECTION TO THE CAUSE]. There will be over 800 athletes running in support of the Semper Fi Fund on October 27, 2013.

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I've decided to raise [\$amount] in donations. But I need your help. Would you please consider making a fully tax-deductible donation of [\$amount]? You can give online safely and securely at [www. \[insert your fundraising link here\]](#) Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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All my best,

[Name]

P.S. Ask your employer if they will double your donation through a matching gift program!

To a Business/Organization

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I've joined/formed [Team Name] in honor/memory/support of [describe your personal connection to the cause]. My teammates are going to join me at the Marine Corps Marathon 2013.

Whether fighting wars or preserving peace, U.S. Marines, Sailors, Airmen and Soldiers serve their country with incredible bravery and commitment. Sadly, their efforts sometimes result in catastrophic injuries. The Semper Fi Fund (SFF) provides relief for financial needs that arise during hospitalization and recovery as well as assistance for those with perpetuating needs. The Semper Fi Fund provides support in a variety of ways including: Service Member and Family Support, Specialized & Adaptive Equipment, Adaptive Housing, Adaptive Transportation, Education and Career Transition Assistance, Therapeutic Arts and Team Semper Fi.

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Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Follow-up Letter

I wanted to follow-up on the email I sent you earlier about my participation in the 2013 Marine Corps Marathon in support of the Semper Fi Fund.

There is still time for you to support my efforts with a donation.

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As you know, I'm participating in this year's marathon because [INSERT YOUR PERSONAL CONNECTION TO THE CAUSE]

You can give online safely and securely at [insert your fundraising address here]

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Matching Gift Reminder

Dear [NAME],

Thank you again for your generosity. I want you to know that a matching gift is a great way for donors to double (or even triple) the impact of their donations and to help participants achieve their fundraising goals.

What Is a Matching Gift?

A great way to Double or Triple your contributions! Many companies offer matching gift programs to their employees that can increase the power of your donation. Contact your personnel office to see if your business or organization participates in matching gift programs.

Thank you again for your donation to the Semper Fi Fund.

Sincerely,

[YOUR NAME]

Thank You Letter

Thank you for supporting my participation in the 2013 Marine Corps Marathon in support of the Semper Fi Fund and thank you for your donation. Your gift will undoubtedly make a difference in the lives of our injured Service members and their families. You can read more about the Semper Fi Fund and www.semperfund.org and the efforts your donation goes to support those who preserve our freedom.

So far I've raised [\$amount] only [\$amount] more until I reach my goal! I'll be keeping all of my donors in mind, and in my heart on the day of the Marathon. Without your generosity, none of this would be possible.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Team Recruitment Letter

I am writing today because I'm putting together a team -- [Team Name] -- to participate in the Marine Corps Marathon on October 27, 2013. Over 800 athletes will participate in our nation's capital to help raise money and awareness for the Semper Fi Fund and I'm hoping you'll join us.

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Let's get started today. To register, go to [insert your fundraising page] Or, if you are unable to run with us on race day, please consider making a tax-deductible donation.

No matter how you get involved, the important thing is that you are joining us in support of our brave service members. Thank you and I'm really hoping you can join us on October 27, 2013.

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Sincerely,

[Name]

Team Encouragement

Together we've raised [\$amount] so far. Please keep up the good work! Our efforts will benefit The Semper Fi Fund!

Please continue to email your friends, family and co-workers asking for donations in support of this great fund.

Please don't forget to follow up with the people who have not yet responded to your request for a donation, and remember it is very important to send a thank you note to those who have made donations on your behalf.

Don't give up! I know you can do it, and I want to help us all get there together.

[Insert details of upcoming team meetings or fundraising events.]

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[Name]