

2023 Garry Bjorklund Half Marathon Elite Athlete Assistance Program

Be a part of one of the fastest and most scenic events in the country! **Inquiries are accepted between January 1 and March 1, 2023.**

Consideration for entry, lodging and travel assistance is based upon depth of the field and availability of budgeted funds at the time of inquiry. Interested athletes should send a detailed running resume to Sarah Culver at sarah@grandmasmarathon.com for consideration. The following is the elite entry criteria:

Women's Qualifications

Sub 1:20:00 - Complimentary Entry

Sub 1:18:00 - Up to 3 nights complimentary lodging in shared room

Sub 1:17:00 - \$100.00 Food Allowance

Sub 1:16:00 - \$100.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:15:00 - \$200.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:14:00 - \$300.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:13:00 - \$400.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:12:00 - \$500.00 Travel Allowance

Men's Qualifications

Sub 1:10:00 – Complimentary Entry

Sub 1:08:00 - Up to 3 nights complimentary lodging in shared room

Sub 1:07:00 - \$100.00 Food Allowance

Sub 1:06:00 - \$100.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:05:00 - \$200.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:04:00 - \$300.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:03:00 - \$400.00 Travel Allowance

Sub 1:02:00 - \$500.00 Travel Allowance

A qualifying time must have been run on a certified course within 30 months prior to June 2023. Consideration for assistance at any level is based on a case-by-case situation and is entirely at the discretion of Grandma's Marathon-Duluth, Inc.

In Addition, all qualified athletes will receive the following:

- Courtesy transfer/transportation from the Duluth International Airport to Host Hotel
- Pre and post-race elite athlete hospitality
- Access to elite shuttle buses to starting line and private gear check (qualified athletes only)
- Private starting line tent and toilet facilities
- Elite athlete credential allowing free access to the pre-race Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, June 16
- Invitation for athlete and a guest to the post-race ASICS Reception at 6pm on Saturday, June 17

<u>Semi-Elite and Debut Half Marathon Participants</u> – Consideration for complimentary entry will be based on a case-by-case situation and is entirely at the discretion of Grandma's Marathon-Duluth, Inc.