

"Pre-race directions for participants were quite clear as was the flow of steps upon arrival at the race site. Run Calgary has done a great job communicating with participants."

-Anonymous

(survey results)

**OVERVIEW** 

Run Calgary worked with the city and AHS, launching a small covid-secure in-person Dash of Doom to compliment the virtual Dash of Doom. The event took place on Saturday October 31st at North Glenmore Park.



2020	2019
\$6397.95 donations	\$8000 donations
130 In-Person +	850 (sold out)
370 Virtual	N/A
\$3300 (projected)	\$24,176.28

"Dash of Doom was the best thought out race event post Covid that I have been too. Great job team! Loved the medal & shirt!"

- Richard

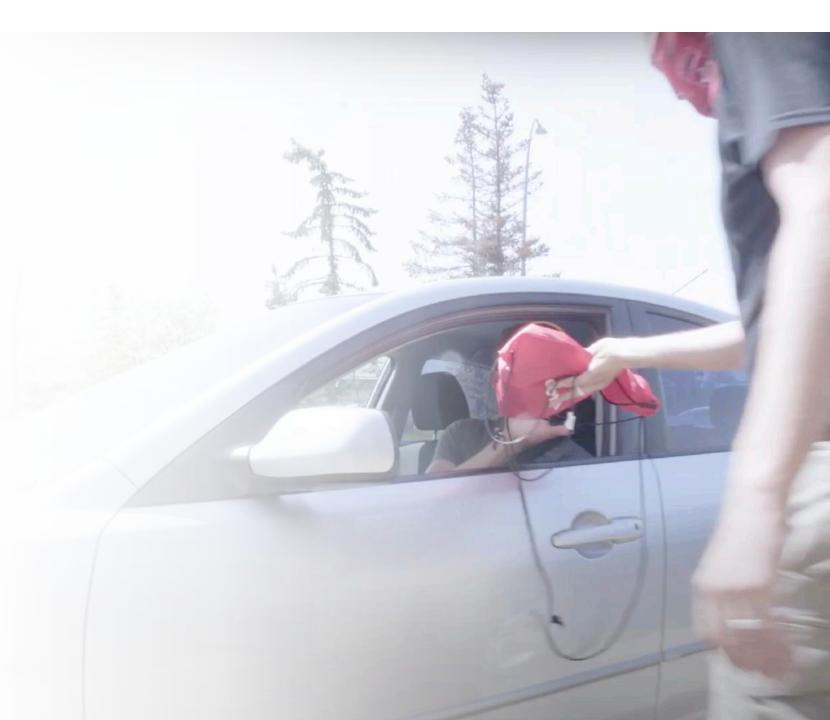


- 1. Execute a safe, fun and memorable experience for participants and volunteers.
- Raise \$5000 for Alberta Animal Rescue Crew Society (AARCS)
- 3. \$30,000 in registration revenue
- 4. 210 in-person participants.
- 5. Flex our event production muscles and put our Covidsecure plans into action.



## 1. Package Pick Up

Run Calgary events will have only contact-less packet pickup options and participants can choose between mail or curbside pick-up at Run Calgary HQ.







3. Wave & Pulse Starts

Run Calgary will use wave and pulse starts to spread out the participants on the course. Chip time, no gun time.

## 4. Aid Stations

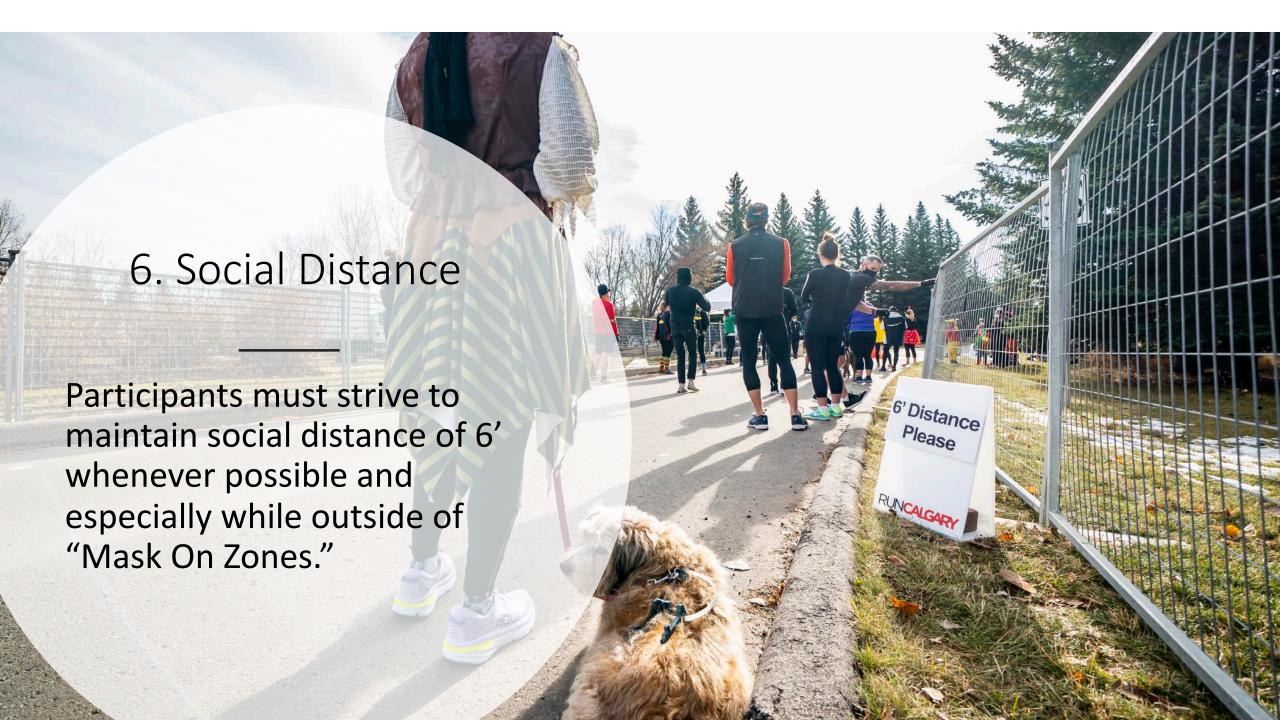
Races will be selfsupported unless otherwise posted. When there are aid stations, participants must wear a mask when entering aid station "Mask On Zones," get what they need themselves and can un-mask while leaving



5. Masks Required

Participants must have a mask in their possession with them at all times.







8. Contactless & Single Serve

Run Calgary will eliminate touchpoints by offering single serve items on course when applicable and stuff post-race bags including medals for participants to help themselves in post-race.





9. Eliminate Dwell

Pre-race communications ask runners to leave their bags in the car and follow 3 steps when they arrive that are clearly marked and lead them into the start chute. A different finish line landed runners at the exit of the park and the entrance of the parking lot.



## Challenges

**Permitting:** Securing approval from the City of Calgary and AHS 120 days prior to event to launch registration and market the event.

**Consumer confidence:** Marketing a race while the country was shutting down (again) was difficult. Participation numbers were down 85% despite best efforts to instil confidence.

**Uncertainty:** Trying to predict and make timely decisions with so much uncertainty.

**Controlling costs:** Some hard costs are the same when putting on a 100-person vs. 1000-person race. Increased costs due to Covid (plexi, masks, hand sanitizer, signage, fencing. Viability tips when registration tops 600

**Hybrid Event:** Hosting a virtual event in conjunction with an in-person event

## Outcomes

Maintained a safe event environment.

Participant feedback that it was a fun event despite the new measures.

Fell short of goal of 210 runners (130 in-person).

Exceeded fundraising goal.

Internal Control of Covid Process Audit resulted in a 94% rating with participants compliance of mask wearing and social distancing at 100%



The Run Calgary team worked twice as hard to host this event in 2020. Efforts included:



NEW LOCATION AND ROUTE FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING PURPOSES



NEW ON-SITE PROCEDURES



CREATING SCREENING PROCESS



CREATING
CONTACTLESS PICK-UP
AND CHECK-IN



5X ON
COMMUNICATION
PRIOR TO THE EVENT



MANAGING VIRTUAL AT THE SAME TIME AS IN-PERSON



CREATING A SEPARATE START AND FINISH LINE/AREA



ORDERING MORE TABLES, TENTS, ETC



"Thank you so much for putting the even on. I can't imagine how much work it was but you all made it so safe and fun. It brought a bit of normal back to my life which is the best gift and prize you could give anyone :) thank

Dejana + Mia