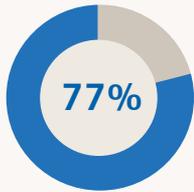


Incorporating environmentally and socially responsible practices is an important part of the operational planning, preparation and execution of the Bank of America Chicago Marathon. In 2016, the Chicago Marathon was awarded Evergreen Level Certification from the Council of Responsible Sport. With more 39,000 participants finishing the 2016, the Chicago Marathon is the largest marathon to have earned certification from the Council. We would like to thank participants, spectators, sponsors and volunteers for helping us “green” and broaden our event.

## Waste and recycling

Over 50 tons of waste collected was either composted or recycled



of waste was diverted from the landfill



recycled shirts made of polyester from plastic bottles, using less energy, water and oil



### 6,181

PowerBar Energy Gel wrappers were collected at Aid Station 13 and shipped to Terracycle where the packets are made into new recycled products



### 42,000

Michigan apples were handed out, providing runners a locally sourced, healthy treat to refuel their bodies



Volunteers stationed at water filling stations served **6,213** liters of water, reducing the number of plastic water bottles use at the event by **12,426**

## Donations



### 10 tons

of clothing was collected from the start line and donated to the Pacific Garden Mission and Illinois Amvets



### 150 pounds

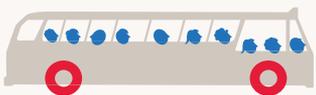
of network cables were donated to the American Red Cross



### 17 tons

of food and water was donated to the Greater Chicago Food Depository

## People



### The free Abbott Health & Fitness Expo shuttle service

provided transportation for 49,413 passengers to and from four locations in downtown Chicago and McCormick Place.



**10,000** charity runners supported  
**170** charities



### Gender neutral changing stations

were available at all gear check areas, negating the need for athletes to identify with a gender specific changing tent

## 40,000+ participants

## 12,000+ volunteers

are encouraged to view an instructional video on Hands Only CPR through our Event Alert System email communication, providing a lasting impact on the Chicago running community

