

**10th ANNUAL
COLUMBUS – DRESDEN MARATHON EXCHANGE 2023**

**Presented by Dresden Sister City, Inc.
in Collaboration with
Nationwide Children's Hospital Columbus Marathon & 1/2 Marathon**

Are you a runner? Do you enjoy learning about other cultures and sharing your own?
Want to learn more about Columbus' sister cities?

We are happy to announce that after a two-year hiatus, the in-person program is
returning this year! Applications are open now!

We are looking for runners and hosts as participants in this exchange:

Travel and Run!

We are looking for:

3 RUNNERS

To Represent Columbus and the
Columbus Marathon as **Marathon
Ambassador** in the **Dresden
Marathon & 1/2 Marathon** on
October 22, 2023

Travel Dates:

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 – Tuesday,
October 24, 2023

Applications:

Apply through the Columbus Marathon
website by Sunday, June 18, 2023

Host and Show off!

We are looking for:

3 HOSTS

To host one of the three runners from
Dresden, Germany representing their city in
the **Columbus Marathon & 1/2
Marathon** on **October 15, 2023.**

Hosting period:

Five nights: Thursday, October 12 –
Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Applications:

Email Dorit at dresdensistercity@gmail.com



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	Runners	Hosts
Who:	Central Ohio residents and individuals with a strong connection to Columbus to represent the city	Greater Columbus residents who love their city and enjoy hosting visitors from other countries
Where:	Dresden, Germany	Columbus, Ohio
Benefits:	<p>Free entry to the Dresden race category of your choice;</p> <p>Lodging with a host family in Dresden for 5 nights;</p> <p>A program put together by the hosting committee</p> <p>Transportation in Dresden on race weekend;</p> <p>Meeting with a Dresden City official;</p> <p>An enthusiastic group of exchange alumni who will gladly help you with travel and other advice</p> <p>The experience of a lifetime!</p>	<p>Make new friends</p> <p>Learn about our sister city Dresden and German culture</p> <p>Have someone to visit when you travel to Germany</p> <p>Learn some (more?) German</p> <p>Meet and socialize with the other hosts and Dresden Sister City group</p> <p>Learn about Columbus and explore the city together with your guests and discover things you did not know</p> <p>In short: you are going to be a tourism ambassador for Columbus, and an ambassador for American culture!</p>
Expectations	<p>Valid passport (until at least May 2023)</p> <p>Airfare (fluctuating between \$800 and \$1,400)</p> <p>Interest in foreign cultures</p> <p>A strong connection to Columbus</p> <p>Prior participation in Columbus Marathon & 1/2 Marathon</p> <p>Active support of the marathon exchange program in future years</p>	<p>A spare private bedroom and access to a bathroom and kitchen</p> <p>Include guest in your meals</p> <p>Provide transportation (at least on marathon weekend)</p> <p>Be able to spend some time with the visitor and include them in your schedule and activities</p>
How to apply	Fill out an application	Email us at dresdensistercity@gmail.com
Application Deadline	Sunday, June 18, 2023	
Additional Events	We host a monthly informal gathering ("Stammtisch") and will include the selected runners and hosts to connect you with our members and past exchange participants, and to plan this year's program. This will include one fundraising event in August or September.	