



Spring 2021

Potential Michigan Outback Relay Leg Sponsor:

On July 16-18, 2021, the Michigan Outback Relay (formally the Great Lakes Relay) will be held in northern Michigan. This is a 3-day event composed of teams of 10 runners that run along the back roads and trails of some of the most scenic parts of our state. Day 1 will start in Oscoda and finish in McKinley. Day 2 will continue from McKinley and finish in Grayling. Day 3 will start from Grayling and finish on the scenic shores of Empire. As of today, we are limiting participation in accordance with the State of Michigan's current Covid-19 guidelines. We are hopeful that by July we will be able to extend participation to our typical 800+ participants that we usually have running the race. Each day of the race, teams will receive written directions describing the sections, or legs, of the race. Each day has between 18 and 22 individual legs.

We are currently seeking Leg Sponsors to donate \$100 for each of leg of the relay. While this is certainly an opportunity for local businesses to advertise or for individuals to dedicate a leg to someone important in their lives, it is primarily a gift from the heart that benefits the mission of the Michigan Special Olympics. The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community.

With the leg sales program, 100% of the revenue received goes directly to the MSO and is tax deductible. In addition, businesses and individuals will receive a plaque that recognizes your support of the Michigan Special Olympics. In the years past, we have been able to donate more than \$3,500 from leg sales alone. We also use some proceeds from the race to add onto that total each year. Since the beginning of the pandemic, MSO has had to suspend many of its activities, including their annual fundraising events. Please consider working with us to support the Michigan Special Olympics, especially during these hard times, so that they may continue to operate their programs that have touched so many lives.

Sincerely,

Eric Prowse

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Michigan Outback Relay

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## Michigan Outback Relay MSO Leg Sponsor Form

Sponsor or Contact Person:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Sponsored by (recognition that will appear on plaque and race materials):

Check here if you do not wish to receive a plaque.

Number of Legs you would like to sponsor:      x \$100 =      Total Donation

Make checks out to **Michigan Special Olympics**

Send this completed form and check to:

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