



Dear Confirmed Credit Union Cherry Blossom Entrant:



Race Day for the 2026 Credit Union Cherry Blossom 10 Mile, 5K or Double Blossom is getting closer! Don't forget to keep - or start - training, and stay informed by frequently checking <https://www.cherryblossom.org/>.

Here Is the Latest:

Registration Transfer Period Is Open Through 5:00 p.m. EST, February 28: If you're registered but can't run, you can transfer your entry, as long as you make the deadline. [Click Here](#) for details. Unless you purchased Race Protection when you registered for the race (*see below*), transferring your entry is the only way to get a refund. **After Feb. 28 the Credit Union Cherry Blossom does not offer refunds or deferrals.**

Race Protection: If you purchased Race Protection, you can submit a claim [Here](#) up until the race date. The protection covers a number of reasons you cannot make the race, but not EVERY reason. We at Cherry Blossom cannot offer you assistance in pursuing your claim; we only provide access to this third-party offer as a service to our runners. Race Protection is no longer available for purchase by registered participants.

Team Competition Registration: Rally your running club or employer and compete for bragging rights. Team competition takes place in running club, corporate, government, military, Embassy, educational institution, Credit Union, media and DMV Run Club divisions. **Team registration closes on February 28**, so get your team together now! [Click Here](#) for details or email teams@cherryblossom.org. *(Remember, Lottery Buddies are NOT Teams! They were just a way to get you all into the race together. If you want to be a Team, [Sign Up](#) if you meet the qualifications!)*

Purchase Medals and Upgrade Shirts: As a way to keep our race fees low, we do not automatically provide medals to all finishers. But if you would like to a way to commemorate your achievement, there's still time to add one to your registration [Here](#). There is also still time to switch your cotton race t-shirt to a distance specific upgrade shirt [Here](#).

CUCB Race Merch: The 2026 race is fast approaching and we need to make room for our new merchandise! We have drastically reduced prices on apparel and accessories currently in stock. [Click Here](#) to see the savings — we have markdowns on race shirts and tanks, winter apparel, hoodies, and other accessories.

Check That Your Registration and Products Purchased Info Is Correct: Login to your Race Roster account [Here](#) to check your details. If there is something incorrect that you cannot edit yourself, email info@cherryblossom.org before February 28. The information

we have on file on February 28 (including personal info and shirt size) is what will appear on your race bib.

In Search of Volunteers: Remember, all volunteers receive a transferable guaranteed entry into the 2027 race (at the prevailing entry fee) plus a long-sleeve volunteer shirt. Sign-up to volunteer in 2026 and get a guaranteed entry for 2027, or tell your friends who didn't get in that they can secure a spot in 2027 by volunteering this year. [Click Here](#) for details and to sign up.

Kids Run Registration Open (Ages 4-10): This 1/2 mile race filled quickly last year, so sign up soon. The run starts at 9:45 a.m. in Arlington, VA, following the 5K. [Click Here](#) for details and to sign up.

Donate to Children's Miracle Network: You can support CMN through a one-time donation, by creating a fundraising page in your Race Roster account, or by helping someone gain a race entry by becoming a Charity Fundraiser. [Click Here](#) for details. Over \$12 million raised since 2002!

Arlington Bunny Hop 5K: Looking for another fun 5K to run in Arlington, VA? Check out the Arlington Bunny Hop 5K Charity Fun Run/Walk on April 18. [Click Here](#) for full details and to register!

Special Offers from the National Building Museum (Home of Our Expo):

Start your race weekend at the National Building Museum. As a participant, enjoy 10% off Museum Shop merchandise and \$10 off any membership level with code **CUCB2026**. Both offers are valid through April 12, 2026.

Explore the Museum, and celebrate why the world we design and build matters.

- [Become a Member of the National Building Museum](#)

Run in full bloom with Shokz: The blossoms are back — and so are the runners. In 2026, [Shokz](#) joins the Credit Union Cherry Blossom Run as the official headphone partner for the first time. As you prepare for the race, we'll be there for every mile with open-ear audio that keeps you comfortable, aware, and in the flow.

Runna by Strava: With just over 6 weeks to race day, fine-tune your pace with a personalized training plan from [Runna by Strava](#), our Official Training Partner, and check out their expert tips on [how to run faster and longer](#) - plus enjoy 2 weeks free using the code [CHERRYBLOSSOM26](#).

Looking Forward!

We will be back in touch with your Final Confirmation with your bib number and details about race weekend, including packet pick-up and the Health and Fitness Expo presented by Wegmans, in early April. Until then, check www.cherryblossom.org frequently, like us on [Facebook](#), and follow us on [Instagram](#), [X](#), and [TikTok](#). Our Race Ambassadors are lighting up social media with race information, answers to questions, and words of inspiration and wisdom.

Sincerely,

The CUCB Organizing Committee

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