

## **SAMPLE LETTER**

Dear Family and Friends,

I'm excited to share that I'll be participating in the 45th Annual St. Jude Memphis to Peoria Run, taking place July 28 – August 1, 2026! This incredible 465-mile relay-style run begins in Memphis, Tennessee, and ends in Peoria, Illinois—home of the Jim and Trudy Maloof St. Jude Midwest Affiliate Clinic. It's more than just a run; it's a mission of hope.

Over four days, runners like me will push through heat, rain, and exhaustion—all to raise critical funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Since its founding in 1982, this event has raised over \$94 million to support lifesaving research and treatment for children battling cancer and other life-threatening diseases.

What makes St. Jude so special? Families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food — so they can focus on helping their child live. Every dollar donated goes directly toward research and care. That's why I've committed to raising at least \$3,000—and I need your help to get there.

Your donation, no matter the size, helps fund groundbreaking research and ensures that children around the world have a chance to grow up, dream big, and live full lives. Together, we can make a difference.

How can you help?

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to support my run. Every step I take is for the kids of St. Jude—and every dollar you give brings us closer to a cure.

Thank you for your support and generosity!

With gratitude,  
[Your Name]

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