

DTW 5K



September 13, 2026
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Make-A-Wish grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

Learn more about how you can help make wishes come true at oki.wish.org

Over the past 13 years, the DTW 5k has donated

\$238,000

to Make-A-Wish Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana!

Thanks so much for your generosity and support.

Watch the dtw5k.com website and your email for this year's donation total!

Race Day Schedule

8:00am - 9:30am

Race Day Packet Pickup in front of the Willoughby Post Office on Erie Street

9:30am

Erie Street Closes

Harmony Studios will lead a 30 minute pre-race stretch on Third Street

Shirt exchange starts in front of the post office

10:00am

Walkers - Please line up down Third Street. Follow the last runners out.

Runners - Please line up on Erie Street behind the starting line, with the fastest runners toward the front and the most honest of runners toward the back.

10:05am

Presentation of donation to Make-A-Wish® Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana

10:15am

Race Countdown with Wish Family

Race starts! Runners head out first, followed by walkers

Finish Line

Volunteers will hand you a water and your finisher's medal

Your **2 free drink tickets** are on your bib to use throughout DTW.

Awards

Top 3 overall male and female runners get beer boot trophies at the finish line

Top 3 male and female runners in each age group can pick up their pint glass awards in front of the post office at the GCXC truck beginning around 10:45am.

Results will be available near the finish line by GCXC Racing, and texted to you, if you signed up for text results during registration.

11:00am +

Post-Race Party in Downtown Willoughby

Post-Race Party

You've put in the hard work to do your best at the Downtown Willoughby 5k. Now, it's time to celebrate! Your 2 free drink tickets are on your race bib. Use your tickets for free drinks at any of these fine establishments in Downtown Willoughby. Each bar will have at least one drink available for a single ticket. Other drinks may require more than one ticket. Have fun!

Please Tip Your Servers.

1899 Pub

38228 Glenn Ave

Ballantine

4113 Erie Street

Barrio

4061 Erie Street

Erie + Vine

4027 Erie Street

Fiona's Coffee Bar & Bakery

4148 Erie Street

Frank and Tony's Place

38107 Second Street

Garage Bar Willoughby

37825 Vine Street

Mullarkey's Pub

4110 Erie Street

Nóra's Public House

4054 Erie Street

Sage Karma Kitchen

4051 Erie Street

Sol

38257 Glenn Ave

Westel's

4084 Erie St

The Wild Goose

4144 Erie Street

The Yard on 3rd

38040 3rd Street

Parking & General Information

Free Parking

Free parking is available in the following lots:

- Todd Field (Mentor Ave Entrance) - This is the largest parking lot in DTW
- Municipal Court (Erie St, north of Vine St)
- Public lot north of City Hall by 1899 (Glenn Ave)
- Fifth Third Bank - Closed (38201 Mentor Ave)

You may also park on any residential streets not on the race route. Please pay attention to any no parking signs, do not block driveways, and do not park on the hydrant side of the street. Please consider car pooling or using Uber or Lyft.

Visit dtw5k.com to view maps of parking lot locations and any last-minute additions under Event Info > Parking

Security

Do not leave any bags unattended. They will be removed. Willoughby Police will close main roads and block traffic from major intersections on the course. Stay to the right side of the road when not passing.

Race Start

Runners can line up any time after Erie Street closes (approximately 9:30am). We ask slower runners to start toward the back of the pack. Your time will not start until you cross the starting line. Please allow the fastest runners to start at the front so you don't get run over and mocked as they sprint by you. Please be realistic about how super fast you are.

Walkers

Please line up on Third Street and follow behind runners as they leave the starting line and head down Erie Street. Once all runners have left the start, we will release walkers into the wild.

Restrooms

Porta-potties with hand sanitizer will be on both sides of the street near the start.

No Doggies

Please do not bring pets to the race. We know your animal is the cutest thing in the whole wide world, but leashes and animals need to stay off the course as they can cause injury to other runners.

Race Timing

Wear your bib on the front of your shirt or shorts to help us identify you in photos. This race is chip timed by GCXC Racing. Results will be posted online and by the finish line. If you signed up for text alerts during registration, your results will also be emailed and texted to you. You may also scan the QR code on your race bib for your results.





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