



Thank you for helping us celebrate our 43rd annual Chicago CROP Hunger Walk!

You, symbolizing the walk of the disadvantaged, spread awareness about hunger, while fundraising for Church World Service (CWS) and five local hunger and poverty relief agencies. According to the UN, 29% of the world population are food insecure, especially developing countries, along with 12% in Cook County according to IDHS.

Please turn in remaining donations to Charles Gunn by Dec. 15th. Get report form today or at: chicagocropwalk.org. Mail checks only (no cash).
Email: treasurerchicagocrop@gmail.com
Address: Charles Gunn, 828 S. Ada St,
Chicago, IL 60607-4105

1st Immanuel Lutheran Church
1124 S. Ashland Ave.
171st Church Anniversary

October 19, 2025

12:00 - 1:30pm

Registration, Food & Free Family Fun Fest

1:35 - 1:50pm

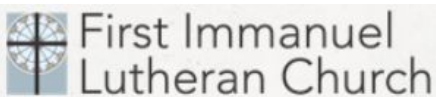
Opening Ceremony & Step Off

3:30 - 4:00pm

Welcome Back & Eli's Cheesecake

Corporate Partner: 

Gold Level Sponsor:



Silver Level Sponsor:

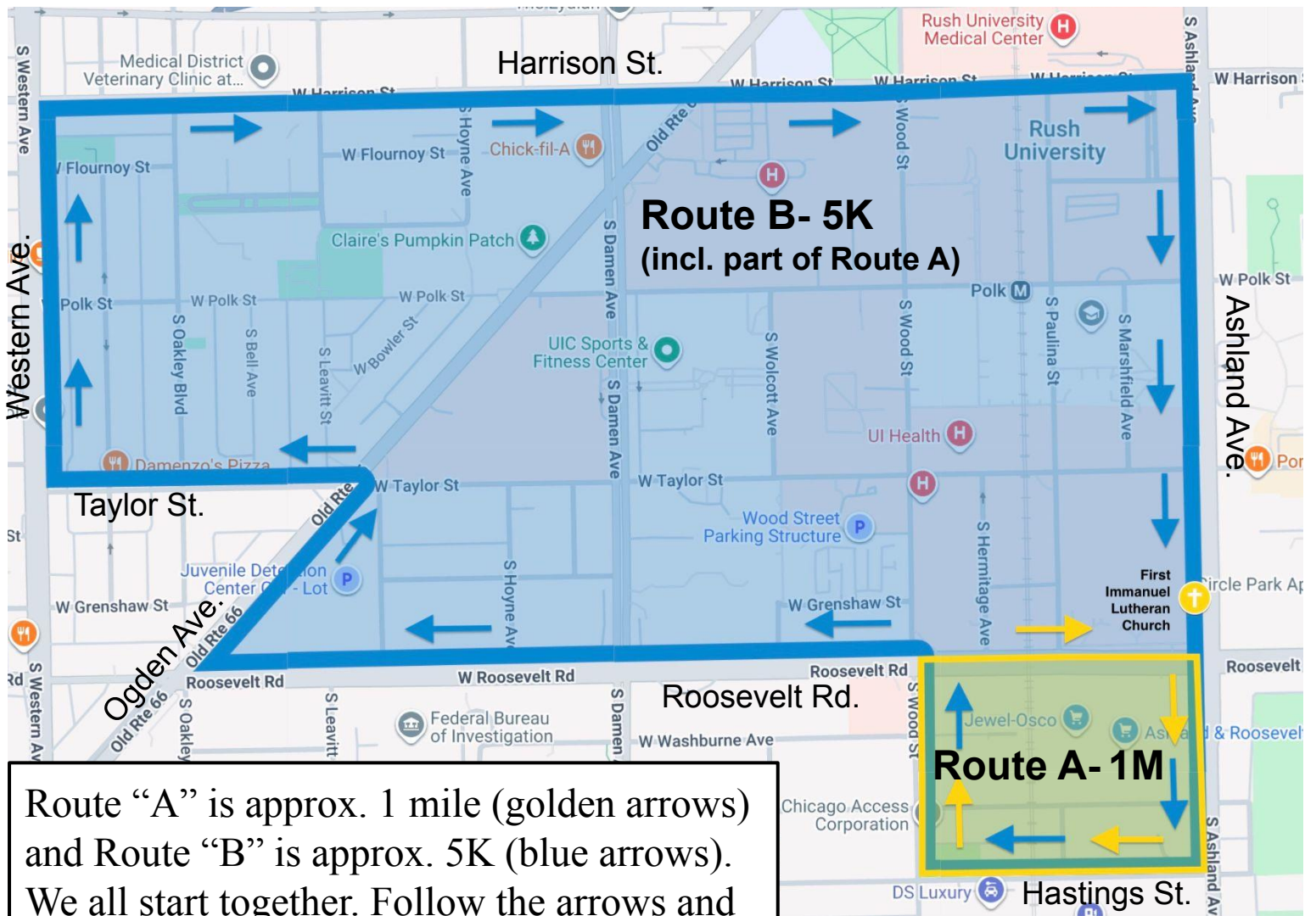
- IES Drilling Supplies
- Thrivent Financial

Bronze Level Sponsors:

Felice Johnson Family & Friends,
Portillo's, Lou Malnati's, Chicago Fire FC,
and Chicago White Sox

Opening Ceremony Program

1. Greetings and Introductions by Charles Gunn, Coordinator
 - ❖ Chicago CROP Walk Planning Committee
 - ❖ Church and Organization Representatives
 - ❖ Rev. Dr. Anne Ritke McCall, Pastor of First Immanuel Lutheran, Host Church
2. Dedicate Walk in Memory of **Fran Horn** by Fr. Gary Cox, Planning Team and Pastor of Santa Teresa de Avila Episcopal and Calvary Lutheran
3. Mission Statement by Julie Kimani, Asst. Coord.
 - ❖ Remind why participation is so important to hungry and thirsty people around the world
 - ❖ We/the Church/CWS programs can help and make a difference.
 - ❖ Introduce reps from local grant recipient agencies
4. Appreciation & Acknowledgements by Lanise Sanders, Planning Committee & St. Thomas
 - ❖ Event Sponsors
 - ❖ Event Supporters
 - ❖ Walkers and Teams
5. Review Walk Logistics & Safety Tips by Will Leon, Planning Committee & First Immanuel
6. Invocation by Rev. Dr. Anne Ritke McCall
 - ❖ Countdown to End Hunger... **Start walking!**



Route “A” is approx. 1 mile (golden arrows) and Route “B” is approx. 5K (blue arrows). We all start together. Follow the arrows and stay on the same side of the street as the arrows. In general, you walk with the traffic.

Friendly Reminders

- Walk only on designated sidewalks
- Obey traffic signals
- Place trash in receptacles
- Let others know about CROP Walk
- Show your CROP gear!
- Help end hunger one step at a time!
- Call Charles Gunn 312-927-8563 with questions.

Walk Planning Committee

Charles Gunn, Coordinator, Julie Kimani, Asst. Coord., Rev. Gary Cox (Episcopal Hunger Committee, Santa Teresa de Avila, and Calvary), Felice Johnson, Rev. Dr. Anne McCall & Will Leon (1st Immanuel), Lanise Sanders & Patricia George (St. Thomas), Marla Rainey, Ali Hasson (A Just Harvest), Deborah Hill (Hope’s Table) and Nick Gliha (CWS Engagement Specialist). *Special Thanks to Gail Angel, Past Chair & #1 Fundraiser!* 😊

Local Chicago Grant Partners

1. Episcopal Diocese of Chicago Hunger Committee (city-wide)
2. St. Thomas Feeding Ministry (south side)
3. A Just Harvest (north side)
4. Hope’s Table (Chicago Temple)

Apply to be a 2026 Grant Partner by April 21. Get link on website.

**Join us 3rd Tues. @ 7pm for Planning meetings with Google Meet link on chicagocropwalk.org.
Next year’s 44th Annual Chicago CROP Walk is Sunday, October 18, 2026!