





# **Run Leader and Walk Leader**

Position Title: Run Leaders & Walk Leaders (2-3 Each)
Location: In-Person
Commitment: Weekly
Term: 1 Year
Reports To: Executive Director / Board of Directors
Compensation: Voluntary with Benefits (Refer to the Benefits Section)

## **Business need**

We are seeking **Run Leaders** and **Walk Leaders** to play a key role in ensuring our weekly runs/walks are safe, enjoyable, and inclusive for all participants. As the face of the community, the Run/Walk Leader will lead weekly group runs/walks.

You will lead a group of runners/walkers on pre-planned routes, guiding them through the workout while providing encouragement and support to help them achieve their fitness and wellness goals. Whether participants are seasoned runners/walkers or just starting, your leadership will play a key role in fostering a welcoming, motivating, and safe environment for runners and walkers of all levels.

# What you need to know about the team

Pegcity Steppers is a community-focused, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting physical wellness, mental well-being, and community engagement through running, walking and fitness. We offer programs and events designed to bring people together, build healthy habits, and support a welcoming and inclusive environment. Pegcity Steppers is in its 5th year of operation and seeking to expand our reach and services offered.

# About the job

#### Essence of the role:

- Lead Group Runs: Lead scheduled group runs for participants of varying fitness levels, ensuring safety and adherence to the route.
- Create a Supportive Environment: Foster a positive and inclusive atmosphere by motivating runners/walkers, providing encouragement, and offering tips for improving running/walking form and performance.

 Safety and Communication: Monitor the health and well-being of participants, ensuring the group maintains safe pacing and respects traffic laws. Stay in communication with club coordinators in case of emergencies or incidents.

#### Examples of projects candidate will be working on:

You will work closely with the Executive Director, Board of Directors, and volunteers to:

- Route Planning and Knowledge: Familiarize yourself with the chosen run routes, ensuring they are safe and accessible for all participants. Be prepared to make route adjustments if needed.
- Encourage Community Engagement: Promote the values of the club by building camaraderie and helping participants connect with one another.

# Impact of the role to the organization's collective success

The ideal candidate will be passionate about health and wellness, possess ability to:

- **Provide Feedback**: Offer constructive feedback to runners/walkers to help them improve and celebrate their achievements.
- Be an Ambassador: Represent the club's values, mission, and goals while maintaining a positive image in the local community.
- Attend
   Training/Meetings:

Participate in any leadership training or team meetings to stay informed about club updates and running best practices.

Roles and responsibilities	Skills and experience
• Lead Group Runs: Plan and guide weekly group runs, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all participants.	<ul> <li>passion for running and promoting an active lifestyle.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Foster Inclusivity: Create a welcoming environment for runners of all abilities, from beginners to advanced athletes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience leading group activities or coaching (preferred but not required).</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Promote Safety: Monitor the safety of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strong interpersonal and communication skills.</li> </ul>
participants during runs, including awareness of traffic, weather conditions, and hydration needs.	<ul> <li>Ability to engage and motivate individuals of all fitness levels.</li> </ul>
• <b>Support Goal Achievement:</b> Motivate and encourage participants to set and achieve their personal fitness goals.	<ul> <li>Basic knowledge of injury prevention and running safety practices. (preferred but not required).</li> </ul>
• <b>Plan Routes:</b> Select and communicate run routes in advance, ensuring they accommodate different paces and distances.	<ul> <li>Availability to lead scheduled runs and attend occasional club events.</li> </ul>
• <b>Coordinate Warm-Ups and Cool-Downs:</b> Lead proper warm-up and cool-down exercises to prevent injuries.	
• <b>Engage the Community:</b> Build relationships with participants, promote club events, and encourage growth within the community.	

• **Provide Feedback:** Collaborate with the Run Club Coordinator to share feedback

and suggest improvements to club activities.

# **Benefits**

- 1 Pegcity Steppers Run Leader/Walk Leader T-Shirt
- Entry to 1 race of your choice within the term of service under or up to a \$70 value.
- The opportunity to make a tangible impact on the health and wellness of the community in Winnipeg.
- Opportunity to give back to the community and inspire others.
- Work in a flexible, supportive environment, with the ability to make a meaningful contribution to an active, vibrant community.
- Networking opportunities with other community leaders, local businesses.

## **Expression of Interest**

If you are interested in serving in this role for a 1-year term, please apply using the following link <u>Volunteer Opportunities | Pegcity Steppers</u>.