

## Health & Fitness

# GREATER CHICAGO PROSTATE CANCER RUN, WALK 'N ROLL — SUN, SEPT 16 CELEBRATES FAMILIES, RAISES AWARENESS

Join us in celebrating and supporting prostate cancer survivors and their families!

GREATER CHICAGO



**RUN,  
WALK  
'n ROLL**

Sunday  
September 16, 2007  
Grant Park, Chicago, IL  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

PROSTATE CANCER

5K run, 3K walk, Half Marathon

Free lunch and kids activities.

Featuring Master of Ceremonies Robert Jordan  
(WGN-TV9 News Anchor) and music from R-Gang.

Benefiting Us TOO International and Wellness Place education and support programs for prostate cancer patients and their families.

[www.ChicagoProstateWalk.org](http://www.ChicagoProstateWalk.org)

Unlike breast cancer survivors, it is only recently that prostate cancer survivors, their families and friends have become proactive in seeking increased awareness and funding for their cause.

Many of us see all the pink ribbon awareness and fundraising activities that go on in October, which is Breast Cancer Awareness, but did you know that September marks Prostate Cancer Awareness Month?

Two area cancer support organizations are teaming up to sponsor the **Greater Chicago Prostate Cancer Run, Walk 'n Roll** in Grant Park, Chicago on Sunday, Sept. 16. This marks the third year for the 5K run and 3K walk (or "roll" for wheelchairs and strollers) and is the only run/walk in the Chicagoland area dedicated to prostate cancer.



The event will once again include activities for the entire family, plus a **Half Marathon has been added**, scheduled conveniently for all those runners training for the Chicago Marathon in October! Event participants will receive a free buffet lunch, t-shirt and goody bag, and will enjoy live music by popular Chicago band R-Gang.

The Greater Chicago Prostate Cancer Run, Walk 'n Roll is co-sponsored by Wellness Place, a Palatine-based cancer resource center, and Us TOO International, a world-wide prostate cancer education and support network headquartered in Downers Grove. Proceeds from the event will fund public awareness programs and education and support services and materials for men and their families dealing with a prostate cancer diagnosis or looking at early detection testing. Both are 501-c-3 non-profit organizations.

Us TOO International and Wellness Place are hopeful that the Greater Chicago Prostate Cancer Run, Walk 'n Roll will help make hundreds of

thousands of Chicagoans aware that prostate cancer kills nearly as many men as breast cancer kills women. Government funding for prostate cancer research and education, however, is one-tenth the sum allocated to breast cancer – and there is virtually no corporate support.

For the second year, the event's emcee will be WGN-TV News at Nine co-anchor and prostate survivor Robert Jordan.

"Unfortunately, far too many men still die each year from prostate cancer," Jordan said. "The good news is that catching the disease in its earliest stages helps. It saved my life."



Every year, more than 232,000 American men are diagnosed with prostate cancer. Wellness Place and Us TOO hope this event increases awareness about the importance of regular disease screenings to

ensure early detection.

"We hope this event really gets people talking," said Wellness Place Co-founder Myrna Porter, RN, a Barrington resident and wife of a prostate cancer survivor. "The more information people have, the more lives that can be saved."

The event's presenting sponsor is Lake Forest-based TAP Pharmaceutical Products, Inc.

Governor Rod R. Blagojevich and Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley have agreed to serve as honorary co-chairs of the event.

*Spend a great day on Chicago's lakefront with your family, friends, and co-workers and make a difference!*

For more information or to register yourself or a Team for the walk, visit [www.chicagoprostatewalk.org](http://www.chicagoprostatewalk.org) or call (847) 241-5972.

We are your fathers.  
We are your brothers.  
We are your uncles.  
We are your partners.  
We are your colleagues.  
We are your neighbors.  
We are your friends.  
We come in all shapes and sizes.  
We come from all different places.  
We all have different goals and dreams.  
We all have one thing in common...  
We are one in every six men and **We have prostate cancer.**

We know that you can help us in the race against this disease.  
We know that being on a team is better than running the race alone.  
We know that you can make a difference for one man, for every man.

join a team today and join the race >

