



# Santa Clarita Track Club's Students Off And Running (SOAR)



## Featured Charity Participation Overview and Expectations

Welcome to SOAR 2017! As an Official Featured Charity of the 2017 SKECHERS Performance Los Angeles Marathon, I wanted to offer my eternal thanks for choosing to embrace a program that truly changes lives! When we began SOAR 10 years ago, the goal was simple— find a way to offer a no cost marathon training program to youth in need living in the Santa Clarita Valley. The term “in need” can be tricky to define, but for SOAR, is best pinned as social-emotional, physical, or economic in nature. Since it’s very inception one objective has remained absolute— offer a program that is exceptional in quality and has life changing impact. To that end, SOAR boasts an astounding 100% marathon completion rate for all participants since the program began in 2008. Unfortunately quality comes at a price. Training costs for each student run roughly \$1,000 once you figure transportation, insurance, equipment, training supplies and event registration fees. Since we plan on supporting 30 students for this years season, that means we’ll have to raise about \$30K to pay the bills. Here’s where your support is crucial! As a 2017 program participant, you will be asked to raise funds in support of SOAR’s mission. This year we’re asking each student and adult participant in training to raise \$700. To help reach these goals, we have fundraising activities planned, but support can also come from family members, co-workers, friends, social networking contacts, and individual campaigns. To keep things as simple as possible SOAR maintains its own web-based fundraising platform where friends and family can donate on-line using a credit card via secure server. Please review our charity participant expectations below, and feel free to contact me at 661.877.7024 if you have any questions.

Thanks again for your support!

Kevin Sarkissian  
Head Coach / Director

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<b>Unisex Crew Neck</b> _____	<b>Large</b> _____
	<b>Xtra Large</b> _____

### 2017 Charity Participant Expectations

- 1) Commit to a proven marathon training schedule— either with Team 2017 or on your own.
- 2) Register and fundraise using our Official Team Fundraising Site by 09/30/16: [www.soar.kintera.org/2017](http://www.soar.kintera.org/2017)  
**\*\*Please Note—All SOAR Charity Runners agree to raise \$700 in program support for 2017 even if injury or personal conflict results in an inability to train and subsequent withdrawal from the marathon. Participants not having met our \$700 fundraising minimum by 2/29/17 will be invoiced for the balance of their commitment\*\***
- 3) Submit payment to SOAR for \$175—your official LA Marathon entry fee— by 10/31/2016.
- 4) Register for the LA Marathon using Team 2017 Official Invitation and Comp Codes by 12/31/16.

I have reviewed the expectations above and agree to participate in the 2017 SOAR Charity Fundraising Program.

Participant (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_