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The 45th Annual Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia's 5K Road Race/Walk - Registration Now Open!

East Point, Georgia — The Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia (SCFG) is excited to announce that registration is now open for the 45th Annual SCFG 5K Road Race/Walk! Participants are invited to lace up their sneakers and join us for a meaningful run or walk through the historic streets of downtown East Point, Georgia, on Saturday, September 6, 2025. All participants will receive a finisher's medal and a race event t-shirt.

The race will kick off in front of East Point City Hall at 9:00 AM as runners and walkers trek through scenic East Point neighborhoods and bustling downtown East Point before crossing the finish line back at City Hall. This beloved community event attracts runners, walkers, and supporters from across the region, all united by a shared commitment to support the sickle cell community.

Proceeds from this year's race will benefit Camp New Light, a transformative summer camp designed for children living with sickle cell disease. The camp provides a supportive environment where campers can engage in recreational activities, form lasting friendships, and develop the confidence to advocate for themselves.

Over the years, countless participants have come together to make a difference. This year, we're aiming to make an even greater impact.

Register Now! Don't miss your chance to participate in the 45th Annual SCFG 5K Road Race. Sign up today and help us bring light and hope to children affected by sickle cell disease. Join us and lock in our Early Bird Special from now until June 1st. The Early Bird fee for ages 18-99 years old is \$35.00, for ages 7-17 years old it's \$25.00, and for ages six and under it's free!

The top three overall fastest winners for both men and women will receive an award! Master awards will be presented to both men and women 40 and over. To round out the winners, the top three boys and girls, age group 17 and under, will receive an award.

For registration details and more information, visit <u>sickcellrace.com</u>.

About Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc.

The Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc. (SCFG) is committed to helping the thousands of Georgians who suffer from sickle cell disease. Our funding is used for much-needed services such as health screenings for sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait. SCFG is the only community-based organization providing sickle cell education, sickle cell testing, counseling, a state-of-the-art health and wellness center, and transition services throughout the state of Georgia, which has the fourth-largest sickle cell patient population in the nation. SCD affects approximately 100,000 mostly African Americans in the U.S. and millions worldwide. Visit sicklecellga.org for more information.

About Camp New Light

Camp New Light is a summer camp dedicated to children aged 7-17 living with sickle cell disease. With a mission to provide a safe, fun, and supportive camp experience, Camp New Light offers programming that fosters resilience, community, and joy. The camp is held at Camp Fortson 4H Campsite in Hampton, Georgia, July 20-26, 2025. Visit sicklecellcamp.com for more information.

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