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## Join VIA marathon, help make difference

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Knowing you've made a difference in someone's life and in our community can be one of the richest rewards of helping others. We are calling on the generous community spirit of the Lehigh Valley to support the Lehigh Valley Health Network Marathon for VIA on Sept. 13.

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What makes VIA special? VIA provides services for children and adults with disabilities, such as autism, Down syndrome and cerebral palsy, from birth through retirement. Due to significant funding decreases, VIA has turned to the Lehigh Valley to help through events such as the marathon. With your help, VIA will continue to provide children the chance to overcome and address developmental delays, help adults with disabilities find a job in the community that they love and help people connect in the community through volunteer and social activities.

There are so many ways -- marathon runners, relay teams, 5K walkers, volunteers, donors or sponsors -- it doesn't matter which you choose, just do something to make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities.

The Lehigh Valley Health Network Marathon for VIA will continue to grow, as will the need for our community to call on VIA.

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