

AIDS Walk New York 2023 Raises Over \$2.1 Million

The 38th annual AIDS Walk New York supports GMHC and other HIV and AIDS groups. Plus: Don't miss the Latex Ball—and this House of Miyake Mugler video!

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It is known as “the world’s largest and most visible [HIV/AIDS](#) fundraising event” for a reason. AIDS Walk New York, now in its 38th year, raised \$2,102,534 during its Sunday, May 21, event—and donations are still coming in.

Thank you to EVERYONE who made [#AIDSWalkNY](#) an incredible day! With your help, we raised \$2,102,534 to support GMHC’s lifesaving work for people living with & affected by HIV & AIDS!! It’s still possible to contribute at <https://t.co/FUhuhOtZcR>.

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— AIDS Walk New York (@aidswalkny) [May 22, 2023](#)

Over 10,000 people converged in Manhattan’s iconic Central Park for the four-mile walk and related events. The funds help support [GMHC](#) and other HIV and AIDS service organizations in the New York area. Founded in 1981, GMHC, which serves New York City’s five boroughs, was the nation’s first HIV and AIDS service organization. The nonprofit provides meals, housing services, HIV testing, prevention, legal help, advocacy, substance use counseling, mental health services and much more to communities disproportionately affected by the epidemic. [According to](#)

[GMHC.org](https://gmhc.org), over 70% of its clients live below the federal poverty line, 36% are Black, 32% are Latino, 53% are LGBTQ and 45% are 50 or older.

The annual AIDS Walk has been a means not only of raising funds but also awareness about the epidemic. This year's event included a four-mile run, a Masala Bhangra dance warm-up, a vogue performance by the iconic House of Miyake Mugler (included in the Facebook post below), a Paradise Garage dance party and, of course, free HIV testing.

This year's presenting sponsor was ViiV Healthcare, the premier sponsor was Gilead Science and the grand sponsor was PepsiCo.

As of May 25, the top five fundraising teams of AIDS Walk New York 2023 are:

- Francine's Team-A Promise to a Friend \$78,580
- The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin \$63,512
- MAC Cosmetics \$43,847
- Gift for Life/NY NOW \$43,623
- GMHC-Smooth Operators \$40,382

It's not too late to donate to the cause; simply visit AIDSWalkNY.org or text "aidswalkny" to 325-603-3395.

In related news, GMHC's Latex Ball—the wildly popular ballroom, voguing and fashion extravaganza—takes place Saturday, June 3, at Terminal 5 in Manhattan. To register for a free ticket and to get more info, visit [The Latex Ball Facebook Page](#). You'll also find highlights such as this:

Other [upcoming GMHC events](#) include:

- [The HIV & Aging Conference](#) on Wednesday, June 7, and
- [The Trans Equity Webinar Series: Lucky Michaels](#) on Thursday June 8.

