

Breast cancer sufferers could use a helping hand

Community members can use their feet to give a helping hand to Manitoba women and men struggling to cope financially in their battles against breast cancer.

Up to 1,000 runners and walkers are expected to take part in this year's Rocky Mountain Soap Company Women's Run & Walk, which will take place on at the Formal Gardens at Assiniboine Park on

Aug 28, organizers say.

The event — a fundraiser for Helping Hands for Manitobans with Breast Cancer — is meant to increase awareness about financial hardship endured by breast cancer survivors.

The organization provides help to women and men who are facing financial challenges while going through breast cancer treatment or recovery.

“The event's focus is on celebrating being a woman,” said HHMBC's president Rachel Parkinson.

“Extras like a healthy brunch, post-race yoga and massage will make it a very enjoyable day for all participants. And with the support and money raised, we can provide a helping hand to more Manitobans in need.”

Parkinson said funds raised will be

used for “non-insured breast cancer expenses such as prescriptions, travel expenses, accommodations, meals, child-care, special garments and rehabilitation services.”

Registration is limited and the deadline is expected to close in mid-August.

For event information, visit www.rmswomensrun.com.

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