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## **Austin Locals Take Top Honors at 2015 3M Half Marathon**

*The 13.1-mile event celebrates 21 years as an Austin favorite*

**AUSTIN, Texas** – Jan. 25, 2015 – Blue skies and cool temperatures welcomed a record-breaking number of runners across the 3M Half Marathon finish line Sunday morning. Austin local, **Will Nation**, age 22, finished first with a time of 1 hour, 7 minutes and 1 second (**1:07:01**). The University of Texas alumnus ran the 13.1-mile event at a steady pace of 5:07:00 per mile. Austin local, **Bryan Morton**, 32, crossed the finish line 15 seconds behind Nation with a time of **1:07:16**. **Collin Smith**, 24, finished third with a time of **1:07:28**. The event record stands at 1:01:05, held by Martin Fagan, set in 2009.

In the women's open division, Austin local, **Allison MacSas**, 30, claimed the top spot with a time of **1:13:02**. Austin's **Allison Mendez**, 26, was close behind MacSas, crossing the finish with a time of **1:13:20**. Austin local, **Nora Colligan**, finished third place with a time of **1:15:46**.

**Campbell Ilfrey**, 41, and from Louisville, Colo., garnered the 2015 male Masters Division title with a time of **1:12:54**. Austin's **Chris Kimbrough**, 45, claimed the 2015 female Masters Division title with a time of **1:17:34**.

The race started with clear skies and a temperature of 43 degrees (Fahrenheit). Registration for the 13.1-mile event sold out at 6,500 runners, marking the largest 3M Half Marathon in its 21-year history as an "Austin favorite" race.

New this year, race registration for the 2016 3M Half Marathon will open just after Sunday's race, January 25, 2015 at 2 p.m. Central Standard Time until 11:59pm Central Standard Time the



same day. The price will be \$65. The 2016 race registration will re-open again on May 1, 2015 starting at \$75.

Local non-profit, [Girlstart](#), was the beneficiary of the 2015 3M Half Marathon. The organization received \$50,000 from [3Mgives](#) in conjunction with the race. Girlstart's programs help increase girls' interest and engagement in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). 3M's donation will make it possible for Girlstart to reach 50 schools and provide more than 1,200 girls with complimentary, high-quality STEM education programs.

### **About 3M Half Marathon**

*The 3M Half Marathon is an annual running event in Austin, Texas, sponsored by 3M, that provides runners with a mostly downhill, fast course through northern and central Austin. Sponsors for the 2015 3M Half Marathon include: Clif Bar, HEB, Nexcare Products, Post-it Products, and Scotch Products. For more information on the event, visit the [race website](#), [Facebook page](#) or [Twitter account](#).*

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