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**AUSTIN TAKES A STEP TO END GLOBAL POVERTY
AT PARTNERSHIP RUN**

AUSTIN, TEXAS, October 15, 2014. On Sunday, October 12, 2014, 300 participants raced to end global poverty in the annual Austin Partnership Run at Brushy Creek Sports Park in Cedar Creek. The [Austin Partnership Run](#) is an initiative of [Aga Khan Foundation U.S.A.](#) (AKF USA) to raise awareness and funds that reduce poverty, hunger, illiteracy and poor health in Africa and Asia.

The event raised a net \$50,000 for Aga Khan Foundation projects globally. **100% of your donation and all net funds raised at Partnership Run go directly to projects supported by the Foundation;** not a cent is spent on administration.

The event is fun for the whole family. The Run features activities and an opportunity to learn about the Foundation's practical solutions for alleviating poverty from Afghanistan to Zanzibar.

To learn more about the event, visit <http://partnershipsinaction.org/content/partnership-run-austin>.

This year marks the 20th anniversary for Partnership Walk / Run events, which will be held in nine major U.S. cities. Since 1995, [PartnershipsInAction](#) activities including the annual Partnership Walk, Run and Golf events have attracted over 440,000 participants and raised over \$63 million for poverty alleviation projects supported by AKF USA.

Participants help communities in some of the poorest areas of Africa and Asia to create long-term, self-help solutions to lift themselves out of poverty. These contributions make a tremendous impact in creating opportunities for girls in Afghanistan to go to school, for farmers in Mali to feed their families, and mothers in India to lead healthy lives.

AKF USA, established in 1981, is a private, non-denominational, not-for-profit international development organization committed to alleviating poverty, hunger, illiteracy and poor health. AKF USA works to address the root causes of poverty by supporting and sharing innovative solutions in the areas of health, education, rural development, civil society, and the environment. AKF USA is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service code.

AKF USA is part of the Aga Khan Development Network (www.akdn.org), a network of private, non-denominational, development agencies around the world, established by His Highness the Aga Khan to empower communities and individuals, often in disadvantaged circumstances, improve living conditions

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and opportunities. The Network's agencies work for the common good of all citizens, regardless of their gender, origin or religion and its underlying impulse is the ethic of compassion for the vulnerable in society.

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