

Volunteer of the Month- March 2024 Questionnaire- Sunita Hall



1. How long have you been volunteering with the Atlanta Track Club? **A year and a half** 2. Do you remember your first time volunteering with Atlanta Track Club? Is so, what event was it and what brought you back again? **My first time volunteering was in fall of 2022. I had just said goodbye to my other half heading off on a military deployment and I was looking for something positive to pour my energy into. I thought giving back could help others while distracting me from the reality of having a loved one half way across the world. I went to the office and moved boxes and inventoried merchandise. I had great conversions with the other volunteers and the 3 hours flew by! I felt great on the way home and knew the club was something I wanted to continue investing my time in.** 3. What is your favorite Atlanta Track Club event? Why? **The Thanksgiving Day Marathon!! Everyone is in such great spirits because it's the perfect start to a day spent being thankful with family and friends. Plus, it kicks off the upcoming holiday season.** 4. What is one of your best memories from volunteering at any race? **I was volunteering for race number pick up at the Midweek Mile and one of the young participants came up to the table by himself. I got him checked in, handed him his bib and safety pins and said "ask the adult with you to help you attach the bib to your shirt because the safety pins are sharp". So he smiled and handed it back to me and said "can you help me"? I was so touched by his independence of approaching the table himself but also that he trusted me as an adult. I proudly pinned his bib and walked him to the starting line.** 5. What is your favorite thing about volunteering with Atlanta Track Club? What brings you back? **The staff!!! Everyone at the track club is so appreciative of you giving your time and energy. Whether it's race day or in the office everyone makes me feel like I'm part of the track club family. Jakor enthusiastically greeting me as I walk in. Kristin, DeAndra, and I having a good laugh! Veronica and Natalie smiling when they see me.** 6. Do you have a favorite volunteer assignment? If so, explain. **I love race number pick up! There is so much excitement in anticipation of the race. And chatting with the participants you get a glimpse into their story- it's their first marathon, running in honor of a loved one, coming back after an illness or injury. Everyone has a reason why they are passionate about the race and you hear some really heart warming stories.**