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Walk for Water: Deppmann Helps Those in Need of Clean Water

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The R. L. Deppmann Monday Morning Minutes takes a pause in the Water Economizer series to introduce a fun way to help those in need. Did you know there are schools in the United States without access to clean water? Xylem, the parent company of Bell & Gossett, is hosting a competition called [Walk for Water](#) to help those in need of clean water. R. L. Deppmann has three teams signed up for this worthy global charitable event. Check this article for more information about *Walk for Water* and our involvement.



R. L. Deppmann and Walk for Water 2023

RLD has created three teams of ten employee volunteers who will have their daily steps measured in a contest called Walk for Water. I am leading one of the teams and expect to be the winning team. It runs from June 1st through June 30th. As part of this charitable event, we donated \$25.00 per person to the [Chris Long Foundation, Waterboys](#). Read on, you may want to join us.

Xylem Watermark and the Walk for Water 2023

Here is what Xylem says about the Walk for Water 2023 challenge:

We wanted to extend an invitation to you for our third annual Walk for Water Team Challenge, happening this summer.

This year, we're collaborating with our Xylem Channel Partners, Xylem employees, friends, and family to raise funds for schools in the United States that lack access to clean, safe drinking water. The challenge runs from June 1st to June 30th, 2023, and we can't wait to have you on board!

The proceeds from this challenge will benefit the [Chris Long Foundation, Waterboys](#), a charitable organization dedicated to bringing clean water to one million people globally. With the money raised, we'll be supporting the installation of water bottle filtration systems in multiple schools so that they no longer have to buy bottled water.

Similar to last year, we're hosting the challenge through the Pacer for Teams app. Teams will virtually walk across the globe and track miles automatically by syncing with your phone, smartwatch, or inputting it manually. Besides raising awareness and funds for Watermark and Waterboys, it will also show that big objectives can be met relatively easily when approached as a team.

Here's how you can participate:

1. Register [HERE](#). The cost to participate is \$25, which is a \$25 donation to the Waterboys Foundation. Xylem will be matching all donations.
2. Recruit friends, family members, and colleagues to join your team. All teams should have 10 people total. Make sure they register on this site so Xylem Watermark will match their donation. If you don't have a team, sign up, and we'll assign you to one.
3. Walk alone or with your team. Compete with other teams to see which team can walk the farthest. This can be a local park, your neighborhood, a school track, or anywhere

you can walk safely. As part of this challenge, we encourage you to make an effort to clean up trash around your community. Xylem has a special term for this, called "plogging."

4. Stay consistent. Encourage your team to get steps in each day and climb the leaderboard. This is all for a great cause, so have some fun!
5. Take photos and post them on Xylem Now or your preferred social media sites.

[Sign up now](#) and join us for the 2023 Walk for Water Team Challenge!

If you are going to join us for this fun and important activity, drop us a note and let us know your team's name.