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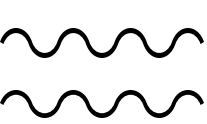
PARADE CONTINGENT ORIENTATION



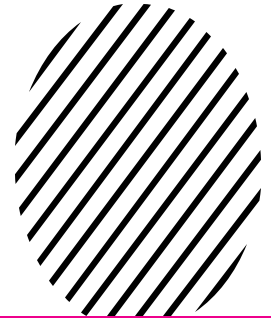
What are we chatting about?



- PRE-PARADE PREPARATION
- STAGING MAP
- PARADE ROUTE
- RULES ALONG THE ROUTE
- CONTINGENT INFO
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PRE-PARADE QUICK FACTS



The parade is June 20, 2026. We step off promptly at 3:00pm. Staging will begin at 10am with staggered timing.

If you have already indicated you will have 2 vehicles, they must arrive at the same time.

Any commercial vehicles that normally require a Commercial Drivers License to operate are required to have a CDL operator.

Parade Staging

- Check in will happen upon arrival in your staging zone.
- You will receive your QR code for placement and check in via email and your community account next week.
- The fire lane will be the center lane in all staging areas, maintain it!
- On 15th Street--Floats to the far right, cars in the lane next to the floats, walkers in the bike lane with their units.
- There will be portapots at the following locations:
 - P, Q, R, S, T (at 15th Streets)
- At the entrance of staging, you will be handed a placard with your color on it, place that in your window. When you get to the top of the route at 14th and T street, hand that placard to our team member.



Parade Placement

Hi Capital Pride Alliance,

We hope you are as excited as we are for this year's Capital Pride Parade. Below is your parade staging zone and time. Please print this email or present your phone at the staging check-in located at 15th & Rd. Island Avenue.

Your Contingent Check in QR Code is below. A parade marshal will scan this to check you in at the parade. This QR code is for Capital Pride use only. Please do not scan it.



Organization Name: Capital Pride Alliance

Registration ID: R-67168

Balance Due:

- This permit is not valid if you have a balance due. Registrations will be cancelled if the balance is not paid in full by Wednesday, June 7, unless other arrangements have been made.*
- If you are showing a balance due or a negative balance, and you have paid please email accounting@capitalpride.org.*
- If you have already submitted your COI, we are reviewing them and appreciate their patience.*

listed on your permit after the time listed. One permit per registered vehicle; the parade marshal will compare your permit with your registration record.

- [Download Parade Staging Map](#)

Parade Contingent Type: Float/Flatbed/Trailer

Parade Floats: 1

- *All floats MUST have safety rails, per MPD.*

Parade Vehicles: 0

- *If you have more than one vehicle, all vehicles must enter the staging area at the same time. If no vehicles are listed, unless you have a Float/Flatbed/Trailer, you will not be allowed a vehicle in the staging area or along the route.*

Parade Marchers: 50

PLEASE NOTE THAT REPLIES WILL BE SENT TO AN UNMONITORED EMAIL ADDRESS. YOU MAY [CREATE A CASE](#) IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ISSUES WITH YOUR REGISTRATION.

[View Your Registration](#)

Please visit our contingent resources page for information about when your marchers should arrive, staging zone rules, Parade Terms and Conditions, and more!

[View Contingent Resources Page](#)

Happy Pride,

Your Capital Pride Parade Team

****PLEASE NOTE - Parade Lineup Placements are subject to change. If a change is made, you will receive another email from us with the changes.**

The Capital Pride Alliance, through its stewardship of diverse programming and events, specifically year-round LGBTQ+ Pride festivities centered in Washington, DC and the National Capital Region, serves to celebrate, educate, support, and inspire our multi-faceted communities in order to grow and preserve our history and protect our rights for current and future generations.

This is an example of the parade placement email. It will give you your:

- QR code to be scanned in by our Staging Marshal
- Color zone + block
- Arrival time
- All other pertinent information regarding staging.



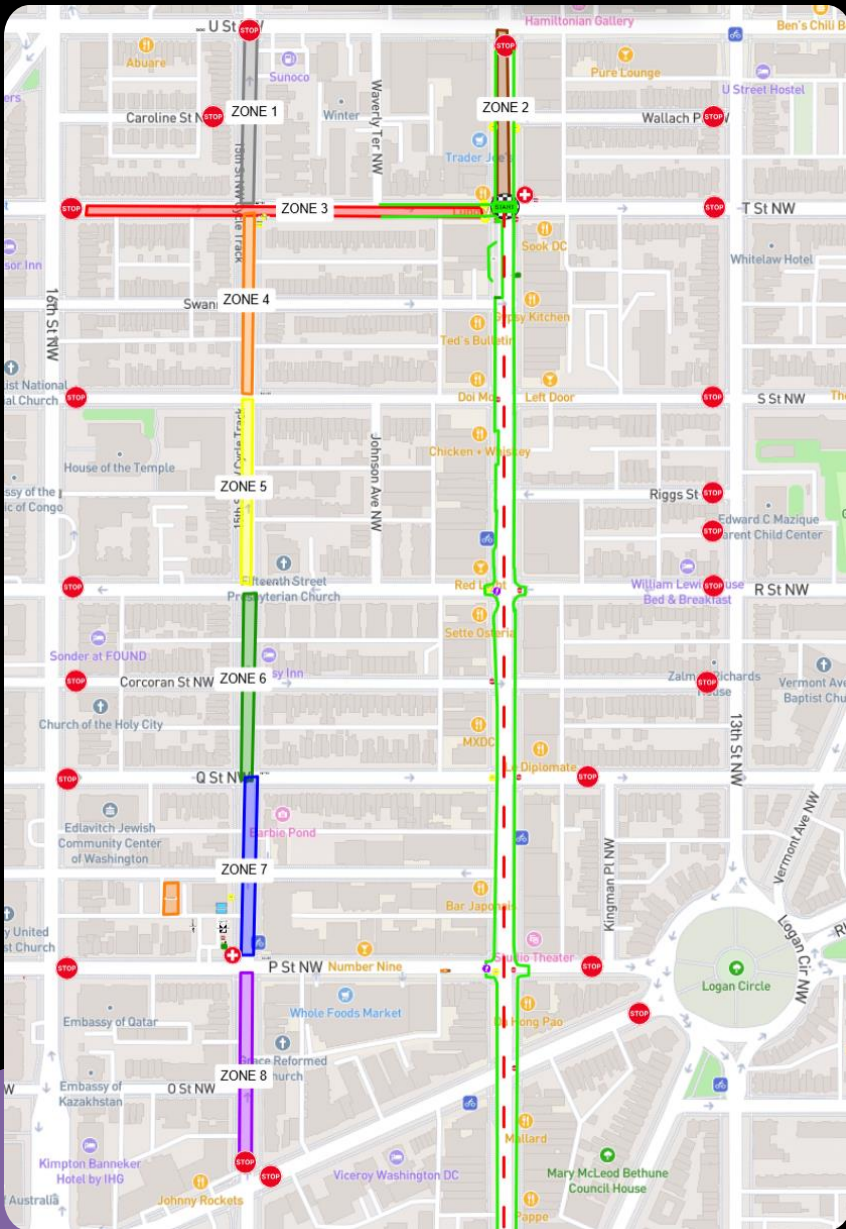
- Red- 10:30am- 11:15 am
 - Orange- 11:15am-12:00pm
 - Yellow- 12:00pm- 12:45pm
 - Green- 12:45pm- 1:30pm
 - Blue- 1:30pm-2:15pm
 - Purple- overflow/late arrivals
 - Brown- 2:15PM-2:45PM
- Floats being brought by Parade Float Rentals & Shaw Float companies must be in by 10:30 AM. This will be communicated to these entities.
 - One person from group must arrive by above time.
 - Additional participants encouraged to arrive at suggested times—traffic will be heavy

Detailed Staging Times-

Zone:	Entry Time:	Lineup Street:	Enter From:	Order
Red	10:30am-11:15 am	T ST between 14th & 15th	Rhode Island & 15th	1
Orange	11:15am-12:00pm	15th St between S & T	Rhode Island & 15th	2
Yellow	12:00pm-12:45pm	15th St between R & S	Rhode Island & 15th	3
Green	12:45pm-1:30pm	15th St between Q & R	Rhode Island & 15th	4
Blue	1:30pm-2:15pm	15th St between P & Q	Rhode Island & 15th	5
Purple	N/A- late units will be placed here	P St, between 15th & 16th		
Brown	2:15PM-2:45PM	14th St between T & U	14th & U St	

UNIT ARRIVAL-STAGING

- All units will be staged on 15th Street, entering in from Rhode Island & 15th Streets
- Vehicles/floats must arrive during their 45-minute staging time to claim a spot.
- Once a section is closed, units arriving late will be asked to be staged in overfill. Sections will be closed for safety! Please plan accordingly.
- Cars/vehicles in the lane next to the floats. Floats to the far right, cars in the lane next to the floats, walkers in the bike lane.



Suggested Arrival Times for Participants

- You only need one person holding your space at the designated staging time.
- For the rest of your group, here are some suggested arrival times. TRAFFIC WILL BE HEAVY. Please plan accordingly.

Suggested Arrival Times for Participants (arriving by foot)

- RED – by 2:00PM
- ORANGE – by 2:30PM
- YELLOW – by 3:00PM
- GREEN – by 4:00PM
- BLUE – by 4:30PM
- PURPLE – by 5:00PM
- BROWN – by 3:00 PM

NOTE: The parade will have moved in assembly after 3 PM. Please provide a Point of Contact for your group to communicate your locations!

Addresses & Locations to note:

To enter vehicle staging:

MAA Mass Avenue Apartments
1499 Massachusetts Ave
NW, WDC 20005

Meetup Locations for staging:

Metro Stations
U Street
Dupont Circle

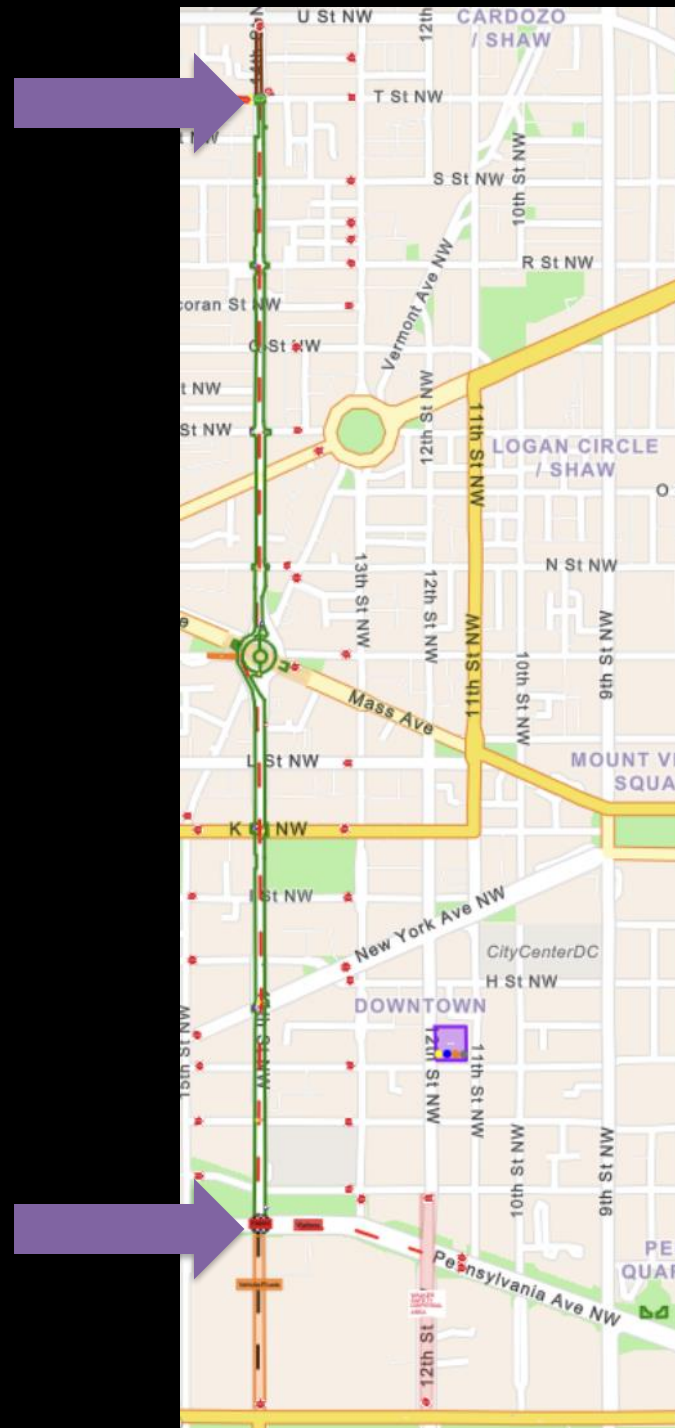
Latrobe Apartments (15th & Rhode Island)
1301 15th St, NW, WDC 20005

TD Bank (P & 15th)
1489 P St, NW, WDC 20005

The parade will begin at 14th & T street.

It will end at 14th street & Pennsylvania Ave.

Vehicles & Floats Units must continue down 14th street to get road ready; walkers turn onto Pennsylvania Ave.





PARADE ROUTE

The route is about 1.4 miles long!

There will be designated crossing points.

STAY IN ORDER; do not pass the contingent in front of you. We want to make sure you are identified at the Announcement stands.

Contingents should be within 20' of the contingent in front of them. No stopping for performances.

When we get to The Hamilton, we have some slight inclines and declines. please brace yourselves.

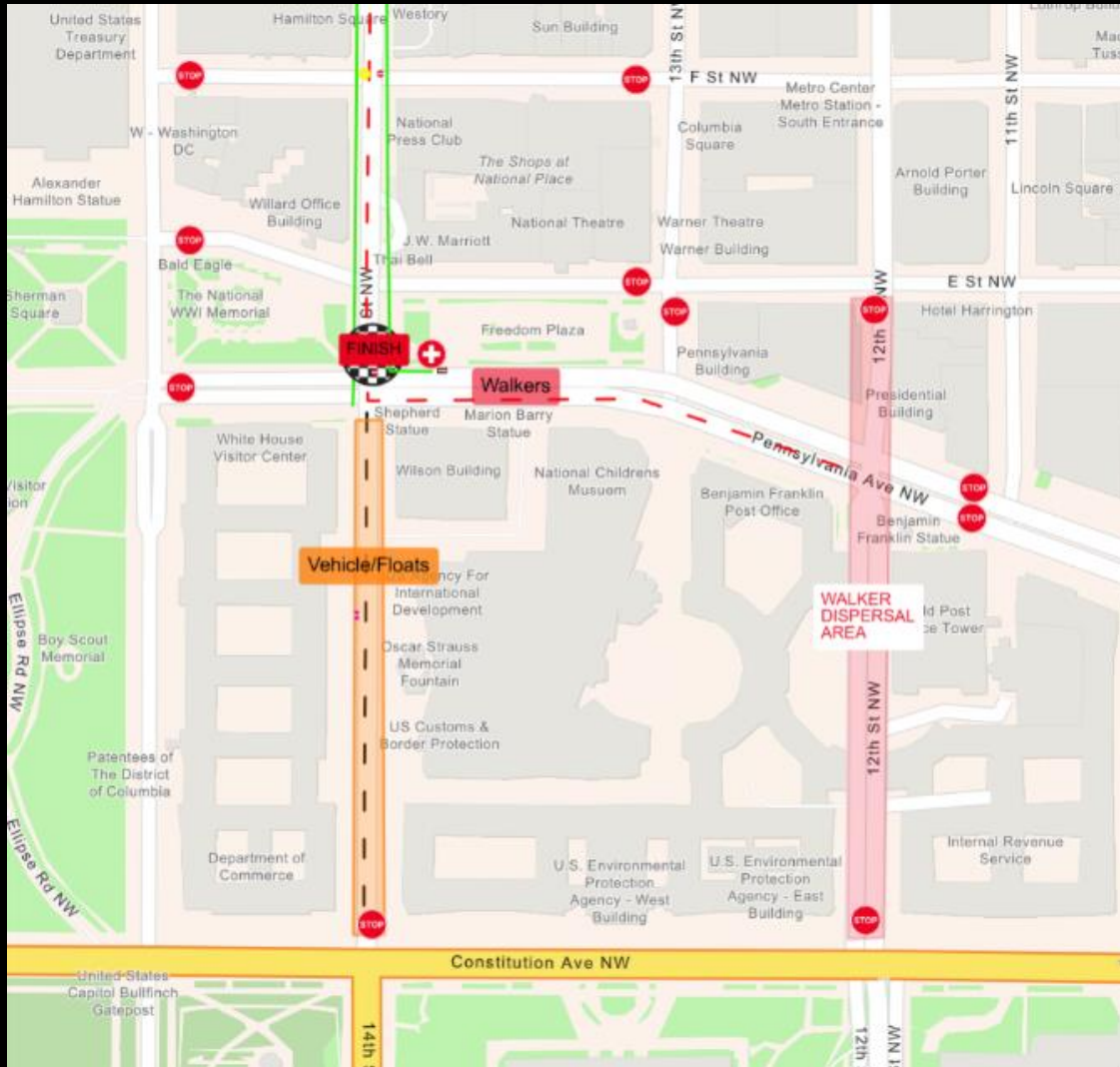
Designated Crossing Zones

There will be designated crossing zones located at:

- 14th & R Streets, NW
- 14th & P Streets, NW
- 14th & N Streets, NW
- 14th & K Streets, NW
- 14th & New York Ave, NW

Please be aware of this!

DISPERSAL



- All Vehicles & Float Units **MUST** go down 14th Street, past Pennsylvania Ave to be road ready. You will be directed by marshals or MPD! Please be mindful of their directions on where to pull over and get road ready.
- If staying with your vehicle, any pedestrians with your group must stay on the sidewalks and out of the streets.
- Walkers turn left on Pennsylvania Ave—must be on the sidewalks before getting to 12th Street

REMINDER!! Follow the instructions of the marshals! Plans could change.

KEY LOCATIONS

First Aid Stations—

- St Lukes Church (1514 15th Street)
- Step Off (14th & T Street)
- Thomas Circle (at 14th Street)
- Dispersal (14th & Pennsylvania)

KEY LOCATIONS

Additional Areas on Route-

- Step off- (14th & T)
- Announcer Booth & ASL area (14th & T)
- Media & Accessible Seating area (Thomas Circle)
- Announcer Booth, ASL area, Accessible Seating & Bleacher Seating (14th & K- Franklin Park)
- Parade Ends/Dispersal (14th & Pennsylvania Ave)

IMPORTANT!

Be sure to bring plenty of sunscreen and water for your contingent.

Safety is everyone's responsibility! Route marshals, traffic control officers, MPD & security will be throughout the route. If you see something, say something.

FULLY CHARGE YOUR PHONE and if you are able bring portable chargers.

If you are walking, feel free to bring a wagon, hand truck, and strollers.

NO THROWING ANYTHING, passed items only

NO CONFETTI, NO WEAPONS, NO SIRENS

REMINDERS

- Cannot accommodate placement requests
- Banner & Shirts must match the registered group, no combining groups

Embrace the Theme!

Exist. Resist. Have the Audacity! — a bold declaration affirming the presence, resilience, and courage of LGBTQ+ people around the world. Grounded in the undeniable truth that our existence is not up for debate, this year's theme calls on the community to live loudly and proudly, stand firm against injustice and erasure, and embody the collective strength that has always defined the LGBTQ+ community.

Exist. Resist.
Have the Audacity!



TRUCK, TRAILER & DRIVER RESOURCE

[LOOKING FOR TRUCKS, TRAILERS AND DRIVERS?](#)

CHECK OUT LGBTQ TRUCKERS ON
FACEBOOK:

<https://www.facebook.com/lgbttruckers/>

THANK YOU AND SEE YOU SOON!



QUESTIONS COMMENTS OR CONCERNS? CONTACT
PARADE@CAPITALPRIDE.ORG or diana.north@capitalpride.org



FACEBOOK/CAPITALPRIDE DC



INSTAGRAM UPDATES: @CAPITALPRIDEDC



FESTIVAL EXHIBITOR ORIENTATION

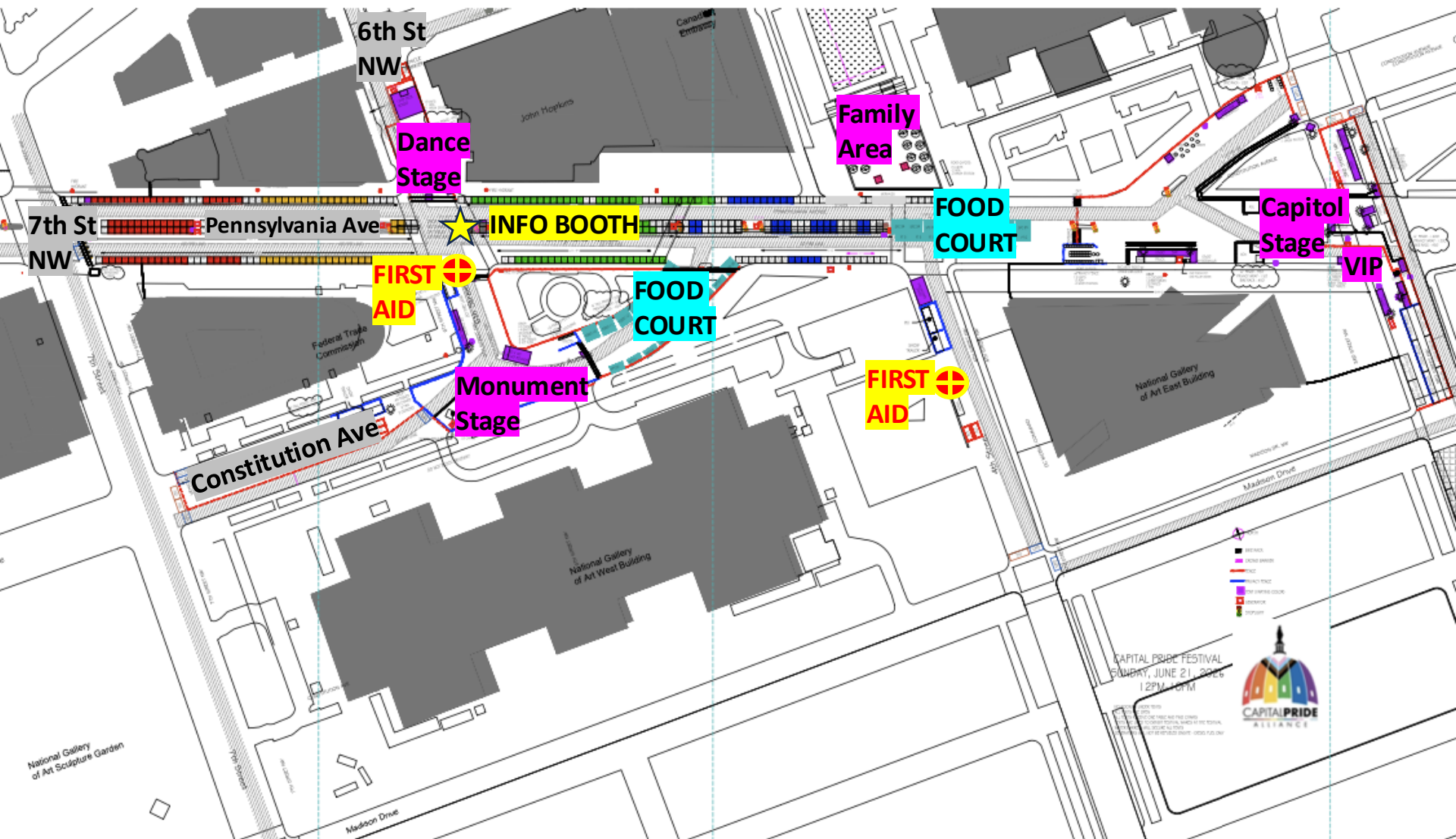


Photo: Metro Weekly

Agenda

- Festival Overview
 - The Site
 - The Day & Access
 - The Space
 - Festival Set-Up
 - Festival Tear Down
 - The Checklist
- Q & A

2026 FULL SITE OVERVIEW



Festival Day TIMELINE – SUNDAY, June 21

Time	Description
7:30AM – 10:30AM	Exhibitor Setup (with vehicles onsite)
10:30AM – 11:30AM	Finish Setup (without vehicles onsite)
12:00PM – 7:00PM	Festival Exhibitor Hours
7:00PM	Exhibiting Ends (breakdown booth; no vehicles onsite)
10:00PM	Festival Concert Ends
~11:00 PM (TBD)	MPD to give approval for vehicles onsite for booth load out

SET-UP (Sunday)

- Sunday load in will begin at **7:30AM**.
- Vehicles will enter through 7th St. & Constitution Ave
- Upon entry, Exhibitors will be **greeted by volunteers/event staff** who will help direct you to your booth
- Vehicles will have a max of **20 minutes** of onsite time, please unload as fast as possible so that others might have their time
- Maintain the lane: Even during setup we are required to maintain a fire lane throughout Festival grounds
- **Bring hand-trucks and helpers if needed.**
- If selling: Touchless payments are **ENCOURAGED** as there are no ATM's

SET-UP continued...

LOAD IN Times (staggered by booth assignment):

- Rows 100 & 300 --> 7:30AM
- Rows 200 & 400 --> 8:30 AM

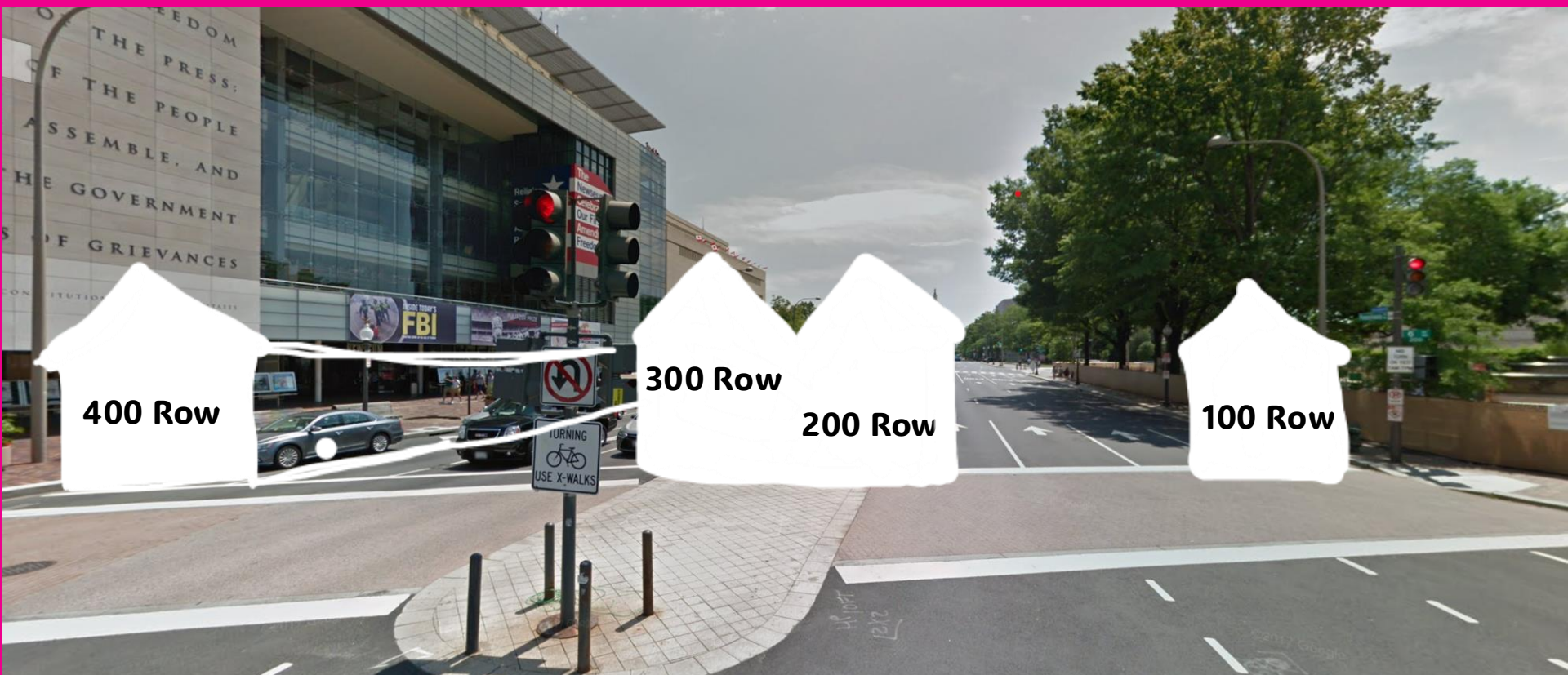
***Note: If you think you will need more time to load in your stuff, feel free to come at 7:30AM*

- Exhibitors driving in will be checked in via an Event Staff/Volunteer upon entering the festival site
- Exhibitors entering by foot will need to check in at our Info Booth (6th St NW & Pennsylvania Ave)

2026 FESTIVAL LOAD IN/OUT ROUTE



EXHIBITOR ROWS / LANES



TEARDOWN & LOAD OUT (Sunday night)

- Please begin breaking down your booth at 7pm
- Access to site will be at MPD discretion following close of the Concert at 10pm; expect vehicle entry no earlier than 11pm on site
- Vehicles can stage on 7th St. Curb lane starting @10pm (South of Constitution Ave)
 - If you choose to wait for vehicle access, please do not leave your vehicle while staging on 7th
- We will allow vehicles in at the same access point at 7th and Constitution Ave
- Maintain the lane: Even during setup/breakdown, we are required to maintain a fire lane throughout Festival grounds. DON'T BLOCK THE DRIVE LANE ON PENN AVE.

***** Pro Tip: Bring a hand-truck to move materials between your booth and an offsite pick-up location**

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR TRASH

EXHIBITOR SPACE --- what's included?

Included:

- 1 – Tented space measuring 10'x10'x8'
- 1 – 8ft table
- 2 – chairs

Notes

- Space is ***extremely*** tight, and your neighbors will love you if you remain within your 10'x10'
- Please be mindful with noise levels (music)
- Electricity access is only for those who pre-purchased.
- Any issues or missing items day of? Go to the **Information tent** (6th & Pennsylvania Ave)

Change Requests:

Log into your Pride365 account to request additional chairs and tables.

*****NOTE:** There will not be parking provided on site. You will need to reserve and utilize one of the nearby parking garages near the festival.

Exhibitor Checklist

Festival Prep:

- ☐ Confirmed registration details and invoice
- ☐ Engage your internal team for Festival presence and location
- ☐ Make a parking plan
- ☐ Let your wider stakeholder community know about your efforts
- ☐ Reach out to org partners

Action Items:

- ☐ Registration changes: (additional tables, chairs, etc)
- ☐ Share event with your audience

If applicable:

- ☐ **Submit Tax ID or SSN**
- ☐ Green Certification
- ☐ Certificate of Insurance **(Must be received by 6/15!) Available for purchase on our website \$65**
- ☐ DC Sales Tax prep

Vendor: GREEN Efforts



All vendors are required to use earth-friendly packaging and bags (no plastic bags or Styrofoam may be used).

Refrain from leaving trash behind.

Failure to comply will result in a DC enforced fine on-site and/or removal from the Festival.

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