

2016 FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

PARADE APPLICATION

This year's parade theme is:



Parade Date: Saturday, July 16, 2016
Parade Time: Reach Downtown at 10:00am
Step Off Time: Approximately 9:40am
Parade Location: Grand River Avenue

**Mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 7 for our
Greater Farmington Founders Festival Pep Rally**

2016 FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

Live at Five Thursday, July 14

5:00pm - 11:00pm

Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16

10:00am-10:00pm;

Red White & Brew Beer Tent 3:00pm-11:00pm

Sunday, July 17

12:00pm- 5:00pm

Greater Farmington Founders Festival
33425 Grand River Ave, Ste 101, Farmington, MI 48335
248-919-6917

Festival@gfachamber.com

wwwFOUNDERSFestival.com

TELL US ABOUT YOUR PARADE UNIT

RETAIN COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

ENTRANT IS:

Sponsor
 City Government Police, Fire, etc.
 Elected Official and One Guest By Invitation Only
 Non-Profit
 Commercial
 Chamber Business
 Political Candidate

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name of Group, Organization or Business: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____ Day of Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Parade announcements must be emailed to Festival@gfachamber.com by July 1st.

PARADE UNIT DETAILS:

TYPE

Marching Band
 Float
 Musical Group
 Walking # _____
 Motorized Vehicle
 Type: _____

SOUND

None
 Soft
 Moderate
 Very Loud
 Describe: _____

ANIMALS

No
 Yes
 Type _____
 How Many _____
 Describe clean up crew details for parade/staging route:

Must describe in detail parade entry/activity (please see rule #11 regarding controversial themes and issues)

**NOTE: DRIVERS OF VEHICLES MUST PROVIDE DRIVERS LICENSE & PROOF OF INSURANCE WITH ENTRY FORM
POLICE/FIRE/CITY VEHICLES ARE EXCLUDED**

	<u>DEADLINE</u>	
	<u>Postmarked By 6/1/16</u>	<u>Postmarked After 6/1/16</u>
Non Profit <small>(includes home owner associations)</small>	\$25	\$45
Commercial	\$100	\$120
Chamber Member Rate	\$75	\$95
Non-Seated Political Candidates	\$250	\$270

Method of payment

Check
 Visa
 MasterCard
 American Express
 Discover

Credit Card# _____ Exp. date _____ CVV (3 digit code) _____

Signature _____ Name as it appears on the card _____

Billing Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please make check payable to: Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce

Mail to: Greater Farmington Founders Festival, 33425 Grand River Ave, Ste 101, Farmington, MI 48335

Any questions, please call the Greater Farmington Founders Festival at (248)919-6917

SAFETY IS FIRST!

1. ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES: The Committee will review the entries and make a decision upon receipt. Acceptance is based on a first-come first-served basis. A wait list will apply after 70 accepted entries are received. *All entries must be fully decorated and/or costumed to reflect the 2016 parade theme "Disco Fever, I Love the Nightlife."*
2. ENTRY FORM DESCRIPTIONS: Please fill out this form in its entirety. All entries must conform to the description provided on the Parade application form. If your unit will have an element of sound, chanting, boom-box, amplified music for a dance team, or singing by a choir, please describe it fully so that we do not place you near other units with competing sound. Any animals included in the unit must be listed and described on the entry form, along with clean up details.
3. PARADE VEHICLES: All motorized vehicles in the Parade (cars, tractors, floats, motorcycles) must be driven by licensed, insured drivers. All vehicle and float drivers must present the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce with a proof of insurance and copy of their driver's license.
4. RULES/INSURANCE/HOLD HARMLESS: All units must return entry form with a signature accepting the rules and the Hold Harmless Agreement. Units with animals or vehicles may be required at the discretion of the Parade Chair to add Certificate of Additionally Insured. Entrants requiring certificates will be notified verbally or in writing.
5. JUDGING: Judging will be done by the Mayors of Farmington and Farmington Hills. There will be two winners. One winner in the non-profit category and one winner in the commercial category. The winners will be notified at staging and will be given a banner. The placement of the banner will be at the discretion of the winning entrants. Banners must be returned to the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce after the Parade.
6. ANIMALS: All parade units with animals must be identified on the entry form and must make arrangements to clean up after the animal along the Parade route. The Parade reserves the right to remove from the Parade any animal which appears to be uncomfortable, unruly or in any way presenting an immediate or potential danger to other units or to spectators.
7. FLOATS: ALL floats must be decorated with the theme of the Parade.
8. WALKING GROUPS: Must be costumed in the theme of the parade or uniformed.
9. PARADE ROUTE RULES: Candy, coupons, paper flyers, balloons, flags, bottles of water will be permitted to handout from Parade participants. Please refrain from enticing spectators to come on to the Parade route. Performances must keep pace with the parade flow. Keep a safe distance. *DO NOT STOP TO PERFORM.*
10. STAGING AND PARKING: No parking will be permitted in the staging area. Your parade entry, float and parade walkers are allowed in the staging area. If your group requires participants to be dropped off, you will need to make arrangements so it will NOT affect staging operations.
11. CONTROVERSIAL THEMES/ISSUES: The Greater Farmington Founders Festival Parade is a family friendly event. No controversial themes or issues will be permitted in the parade. We reserve the right to remove any entry or ask to modify an entry at any time prior to or during the parade. If entry is too controversial, expulsion is possible. Decision by parade official is final.
12. EXPULSION: Expulsion from the 2016 Greater Farmington Founders Festival Parade will result in from the disqualification from award competition and automatic exclusion from participation in the next year's parade.

Your signature on this form is evidence that you agree to the Parade Rules and will abide by those rules and the decisions of the Parade Committee.

HOLD HARMLESS: To the fullest extent permitted by law, I/We agree(s) to defend, pay on behalf of, indemnify and hold harmless the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers and others working on behalf of the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce against any and all claims, demands, suits or loss, including all costs connected therewith, and for any damages which may be asserted, claimed or recovered against from the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, its elected and appointed officials, employees, and volunteers and others working on behalf of the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury or death and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof, or any other matter which arises out of or in any way connected or associated with the sale of goods and services during the Greater Farmington Founders Parade for which a permit was issued.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____