

# 2017 FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

## PARADE APPLICATION

This year's parade is proudly sponsored by:

# Beaumont

## Hot Fun in the Summertime!



**Parade Date:** **Saturday, July 22, 2017**

**Parade Time:** Reach Downtown at 10:00am

**Step Off Time:** Approximately 9:40am

**Parade Location:** Grand River Avenue

**Mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 6 for our  
Greater Farmington Founders Festival Pep Rally**

### 2017 FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

Kids Day Thursday, July 20

10:00pm - 9:00pm

Friday, July 21 and Saturday, July 22

10:00am-10:00pm;

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

Sunday, July 23

11:00am– 5:00pm

33425 Grand River Ave, Ste 101  
Farmington, MI 48335  
248-919-6917  
Festival@gfachamber.com



FoundersFestival.com

# TELL US ABOUT YOUR PARADE UNIT

**RETAIN COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS**

**ENTRANT IS:**

- Sponsor    
  City Government  
Police, Fire, etc.    
  Elected Official  
By Invitation Only    
  Non-Profit    
  Commercial    
  Chamber Business

**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](mailto:Festival@gfachamber.com) by July 3rd.

**PARADE UNIT DETAILS:**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TYPE</u></b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marching Band</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Float</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Musical Group</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Walking # _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Motorized Vehicle  <small>Type: _____</small></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SOUND</u></b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Soft</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Moderate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Very Loud</p> <p>Describe: _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ANIMALS</u></b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Type _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> How Many _____</p> <p><small>Describe clean up crew details for parade/staging route:</small></p> <p>_____</p>
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Must describe in detail parade entry/activity (please see rule #12 regarding controversial themes and issues)

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

<b><u>DEADLINE</u></b>		
	<b><u>Postmarked By 6/1/17</u></b>	<b><u>Postmarked After 6/1/17</u></b>
<b>Non Profit</b> <small>(includes home owner associations)</small>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Commercial</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$150</b>
<b>Chamber Member Rate</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>\$125</b>
<b>Elected Officials</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>\$300</b>

**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 2017 parade theme "Hot Fun in the Summertime!"*
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. NO POLITICAL PROMOTION: The Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce a 501(c)6 non-profit and does not endorse any political candidate or party. Elected officials are welcomed to march in the parade to represent the office that they hold. Candidates can participate in the parade but cannot be the focus (in part or in whole) of any unit. Under no circumstances can any political information about any candidate or political issue be handed out or promoted/displayed as part of any unit. Elected officials may submit an application for entry to the parade.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. FLOATS: ALL floats must be decorated with the theme of the Parade.
9. WALKING GROUPS: Must be costumed in the theme of the parade or uniformed.
10. 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.*
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. EXPULSION: Expulsion from the 2017 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:** \_\_\_\_\_