

Villages Independence Festival & Parade

Saturday, July 4, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Parade Registration

If you are interested in participating in this year's parade, please return this completed registration no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26, 2026, to Management Analyst Mallory Pack at mpack@bunkerhilltx.gov.



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Name of Individual or Organization: _____

Point of Contact: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Select your entry:*

____ Float (trailer pulled by truck or SUV)**

____ Vehicle (SUV, sedan, truck)

____ Recreational Vehicle (golf cart, ATV, etc.): _____

*No walking groups.

**Maximum float dimensions are 14 feet in height, 12 feet in width, and 20 feet in length. Floats must be designed to maneuver turns in the parade staging area and along the parade route without delaying the forward motion of the parade or causing potential hazards.

Will you attend the festival at Ecclesia at the end of the parade?

____ Yes No ____

You will be given a color marker to display on your dashboard at check-in. If you will attend the festival, officers will direct you where to park at Ecclesia. If you will not attend the festival, you will be directed to continue driving straight on Piney Point Rd. upon arrival at Ecclesia.

Will your entry have amplified music?

____ Yes No ____

FESTIVAL & PARADE INFORMATION

PARADE START: Memorial Church of Christ, 900 Echo Ln, Houston, TX 77024

PARADE END: Ecclesia, 325 Piney Point Rd, Houston, TX 77024

- Runners and bikers depart Memorial Church of Christ (MCOC) at 9:45 a.m.
- Parade begins at 10:00 a.m. from MCOC.
- Bring candy to throw at the crowd along the route!
- Restrooms and refreshments will be available in the Main Building at MCOC.
- Outdoor festival will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Ecclesia.

PARADE LINEUP (9:00 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.)

- Parade staging starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 9:40 a.m. in the MCOC parking lot. **Please arrive no later than 9:40 a.m.**
- **Enter the MCOC parking lot from the entrance at Echo and Gaylord (see map below).**
- At check-in, you will be given a color marker to display on your dashboard and directed to line up in line 1, 2, or 3. All entries will line up in order of arrival.
- Vehicles not part of the parade will not be allowed to park or drop off in the staging area.
- All entries must be fully decorated before entering the staging area.



PARADE ROUTE (10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)

- Parade will start at MCOC at Gaylord and Echo Ln., continue east on Gaylord to Piney Point Rd., then turn south on Piney Point Rd. and travel to the festival site at Ecclesia.

FESTIVAL (10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

- Outdoor festival will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Ecclesia. Festivities include food and beverages, games, music, and more!

PARTICIPANT RULES & GUIDELINES

- All entries must be family-friendly and decorated to fit a patriotic theme.
- Maximum float dimensions are 14 feet in height, 12 feet in width, and 20 feet in length. Floats must be designed to maneuver turns in the staging area and along the parade route without delaying the forward motion of the parade or causing potential hazards.
- No walking groups. Floats/ vehicles/ golf carts only.
- No jumping on or off floats/ vehicles/ golf carts during the parade.
- Entries are encouraged to play amplified music. Music with vulgar lyrics and/ or profanity is not allowed.
- Keep one (1) car length distance between you and the entry in front of you. Keep in a single line, do not weave and/ or swerve while driving.
- Smoking and the use and/ or possession of alcohol, illegal substances, and firearms are prohibited.
- This is a family-friendly holiday event; all participants must conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner. Any signage must also be courteous and respectful.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

YOU HAVE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CITY OF BUNKER HILL VILLAGE (“CITY”) “VILLAGES INDEPENDENCE FESTIVAL.” YOU WILL ASSUME ALL RISK OF PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS FROM WHATEVER CAUSES MAY ARISE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE. THIS INCLUDES PHYSICAL AND MENTAL INJURIES, DEATH OR DAMAGE ARISING WHILE IN PREPARATION FOR, OR IN ANTICIPATION OF, PARTICIPATION IN THE PARADE, AND CAUSES THAT MAY ARISE WHILE APPROACHING, ENTERING, RIDING IN, DISEMBARKING FROM, LEAVING, OR BEING ABOUT ANY VEHICLE OF THE CITY. THE CITY, ITS MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND SERVANTS ARE RELEASED FROM ANY SUCH LIABILITY, THEREFORE, AND ARE INDEMNIFIED AND HARMLESS FROM ANY LIABILITY. AS FURTHER CONSIDERATION THAT YOU BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE, THE CITY, ITS MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND SERVANTS HARMLESS FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS TO OTHERS ARE INDEMNIFIED FOR WHICH ACTIONS WERE A PROXIMATE CAUSE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE. PARTICIPANTS KNOWINGLY ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR ACTIONS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE.

Signature: _____ Date: _____