



## Sacramento Pride 2023 March Contingent Information

*Sunday, June 11, 2023*

**March Begins at Northeast Corner of Southside Park  
(Southside Park, Sacramento, CA 95818)**

*2023 March Route:*



### **March Contingent Training:**

We will be hosting a mandatory virtual training for contingents via ZOOM where we will cover the information listed in this packet. Sacramento Pride Director, Collin Lourenco, and Volunteer Pride March Director, Mark Borges, will facilitate the 45 minute training. At least one member of your contingent must be present and is responsible for distributing this information to your fellow marchers.

**The training will be held on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:15 p.m. PT.**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89662770545?pwd=bUNnTTBmMj90b21CaXo1MINzaGxRZz09>

Meeting ID: 896 6277 0545

Passcode: 138660



### Arrival - PLEASE READ

March contingents should plan to arrive based on the size of their contingent:

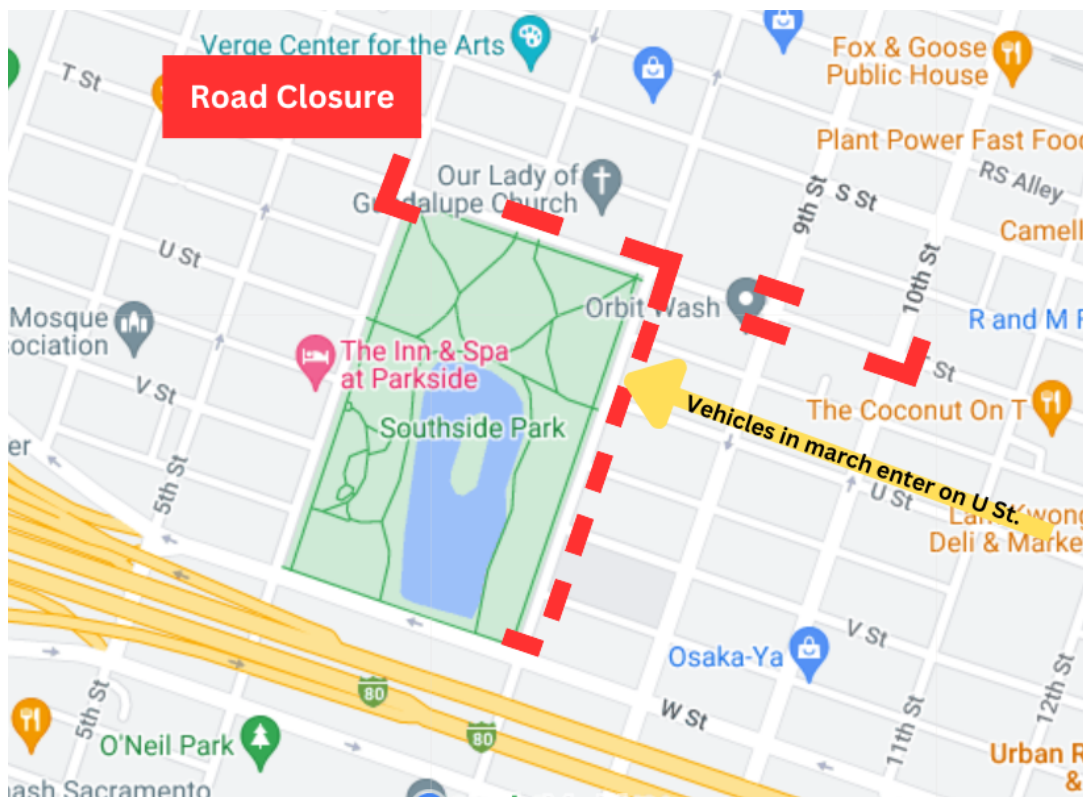
- Contingents with vehicles larger than commercial cars: arrive at 9:00 a.m.
- Contingents with commercial vehicles: arrive between 9:30-10:00 a.m.
- Walking contingents only (including individual marchers): arrive between 10:00-10:30 a.m.
  - Marchers who are signed up to walk as individuals will be part of the Sacramento LGBT Center's contingent.

All vehicles in the march should enter via U Street and turn right onto 8th street. At the corner of U St. and 8th Street, a march volunteer will provide you with your contingent number. This number will also be provided to you ahead of the march. Vehicles should place themselves into the appropriate staging area, which will be marked by lawn signs.

Please **do not** show up earlier than your scheduled arrival time. Doing so will reduce the efficiency of constructing our march lineup.

### Road Closures

Road closures will be in effect as noted in the chart below. Vehicles should enter via U Street where a Sacramento Pride Volunteer will direct you to your staging area. Only vehicles that will be in the march and have been paid to do so will be allowed in the march staging area.



### Contingent Numbers

Each contingent will have an assigned number prior to the march. Your contingent number will be uploaded to your Event Hub profile prior to the event weekend. Sacramento Pride aims to mix various



types of contingents to make for a fun and engaging march. Please communicate this number with the rest of your fellow marchers prior to the day of the march. On the day of the march, lawn signs with your contingent number will denote where your contingent should be.

### **March Rules**

- The March will begin at 11:00 a.m. - It is crucial that your fellow marchers are located near their staging location by 10:45 a.m. Your staging area will be provided to each contingent before Sunday, June 11 and will be available at the check-in area at the Northeast corner of Southside Park.
- Marching in Sacramento Pride does not guarantee you entry into the festival. To purchase tickets, you must visit [SacramentoPride.org](http://SacramentoPride.org). You may also volunteer with Sacramento Pride for the opportunity for complimentary tickets. Volunteer opportunities can also be found on the Sacramento Pride website.
- Marchers are not allowed to throw objects to observers. Marchers may hand deliver flyers or other appropriate objects to observers. Please be mindful of paper waste when considering materials to pass out.
- Marchers cannot stand on top of or get off of a moving vehicle. Vehicles must be parked for individuals to move off and on the vehicle.
- Sacramento Pride tries to keep a steady pace between contingents. Please be mindful of not allowing too much space between contingents, while also ensuring enough space for safety purposes (approximately two car lengths between contingents).

### **Check-In**

- One individual should be designated from each contingent as the day-of point-of-contact. These individuals should check in the entire contingent at the check-in table at the northeast corner of Southside Park. Signage will denote the check-in table on the day of the march. No other individuals are needed to check-in. By coordinating these logistics with your fellow marchers, we can increase efficiency at the check-in table.
- Individual marchers (those not affiliated with a contingent) will march with the Sacramento LGBT Center contingent, which will be noted with signage on the day of the march.

### **Announcer's Booth**

- An announcers booth will be located at the corner of R St. and 10th Street. Announcers will name and describe each contingent, using the information that was provided during registration.

### **Attire**

- We encourage contingents to coordinate with their fellow marchers and show their pride during the march. Please be mindful of weather conditions leading up to the march.

### **Parking**

- Due to road closures and minimal street parking, we strongly encourage marchers to carpool to Southside Park. In addition, SacRT will be providing free light rail trips for Sacramento Pride activities. There is minimal street parking in the residences surrounding Southside Park. Please be mindful of street parking requirements. The march will end at the California State Capitol and marchers are responsible for returning to their vehicles once the march has concluded.



### Restrooms

- Single portable restrooms will be available on-site at Southside Park.

### Trash

- Limited trash cans will be available at Southside Park. Please be mindful about reducing waste prior to arriving at the park.

### Security & Law Enforcement:

- Sacramento Pride Festival has hired ample event private security. There will be supervisors on shift at all times during the march. Event security was required to participate in an LGBTQ+ Humility and Diversity training provided by the Sacramento LGBT Community Center.
- A limited number of uniformed and armed law-enforcement officers will be present at Sacramento Pride March and will be operating rolling road closures – per special event requirements from City of Sacramento.
- In the event of a civil disruption, i.e. protest or demonstration, the festival has created an emergency action plan, and communicated with Sac PD and threat assessment leading up to the event. There is also a designated protest zone located on 7<sup>th</sup> St where Sac PD and security will relocate demonstrators.

### Tips for Success:

- Weather can be unpredictable, while we expect mid to high 80 degree temperatures for Sac Pride 2023, there is possibility of much hotter weather and even mild rain. Please dress accordingly, bring layers and wear hats and/or sunglasses for sun and eye protection.
- Wear sunscreen! Even if it is cloudy, wear a waterproof sport sunscreen all day.
- Drink water, we mean it! Bring a reusable water bottle to have on hand during the march.
- Wear comfortable shoes. The march is about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile long on asphalt – break your shoes in ahead of time.
- There is no electricity available at Southside Park – please plan accordingly.
- Be patient, be kind, be neighborly – the world is a tough enough place, let's keep Sacramento Pride a fun and safe place for all participants. Be patient and kind to volunteers, they are here to help – if they don't have the answer, they'll find it!
- Be neighborly and friendly with your fellow marchers. Arguments and aggressive language or behavior will not be tolerated and will be grounds for expulsion from the event without warning or refund.
- See something, say something. If you notice something seems off, or you witness aggressive behavior from a fellow marcher, guest, or volunteer – please alert a nearby private security guard, event staff (wearing black Sac Pride logo polos) or volunteer. If there is immediate danger or threat, call 911. We are all here to keep each other safe.
- **Overall, HAVE FUN, it's going to be a great Pride Weekend in Sacramento!!!**

### Questions

- For questions, please contact 2023 Volunteer Pride March Director Mark Borges by email at [Mark.Borges@SacCenter.org](mailto:Mark.Borges@SacCenter.org) or by phone at (209) 840-2287. Due to a high volume of requests leading up to Pride weekend, please be patient with responses. Staff will return messages at their earliest convenience.