

Hello Volunteers!

Thank you for volunteering to help with Stars, Stripes & Steps. This event would not happen without people like you giving generously of your time.

The event begins at 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 31st, Memorial Day, with a shotgun start at 11:00 a.m.

You may have to arrive at your post earlier or later, and you may wish to come early for the program at about 10:30.

Volunteer meeting is from 5:00 to 6:00 on Sunday, May 30th!

The volunteer meeting will be held at the Scout Center, probably in a white tent in front of the building. The address is 245 North Garden Street, and is across from Centennial Park, which is across from City Hall. The Scout Center is the small, bright green building. You can come any time during that hour.

At this meeting you will pick up your instructions, which will include the **time you must be at your post, ready to go.** If you have one of our green/yellow VOLUNTEER tee shirts from a previous year, please wear that at the event. If not, we have green safety vests to wear over your shirt—they are mesh so should be comfortable, which you can also pick up at the meeting. It is **important that you wear one or the other** if possible, so that runners can easily identify volunteers. Vests MUST be returned after the event. (Optionally, we have a few shirts left in S, M & L, first come, first served!)

If you cannot attend the meeting on Sunday, please come around 9:00 Monday morning to pick up the same—however, Sunday is better, so that you will have time to study the instructions, check out your location and ask questions. If you have a Team Leader, he or she may have scheduled a team meeting for you, and you can collect instructions and vests at that time. (And if none of these options work for you, contact us and we will figure out an alternative!

We are a little short of volunteers, as many 'regulars' are traveling this year. If for any reason you cannot join us, please tell us as soon as possible. And if you have any friends or family who would like to help, please let us know and we will find good spots for them, too!

Once again, we are grateful for your help. Last year we raised over \$5,000 for the Boys & Girls Club of Hot Springs (and another \$4K in matching grants). We are hoping for closer to \$6,000 this year.

NONE OF THIS WOULD HAPPEN WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU!

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