

PARADE & CEREMONY

Historic Downtown Lancaster and Lancaster City Hall

The parade committee cordially invites you to participate in the “I Have A Dream” parade honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on **January 13, 2018 at 3 pm** with ceremony to follow in City Hall parking lot.

The application deadline is January 5, 2018. Please submit your application with required attachments by this date, and **\$10 application fee**. Placement in the parade is based upon application submission and type of entry.

The Parade and Ceremony are based on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s public speech on August 28th, 1963 in which he called for an end to racism in the United States. This speech was delivered to over 250,000 civil rights supporters from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. We ask that all entries decorate their unit to reflect the theme of the parade through music, decoration or dance.

The parade route will be determined at a later date. Application deadline is January 5, 2018, entry numbers will be emailed before the parade.

Following the parade, please join us in the City Hall Parking Lot on Catawba Street for an inspirational ceremony and winners of the “I Have a Dream” essay contest. Parking will be available in the school district parking lot on Catawba Street and behind the Historic courthouse on Dunlap Street.

Please call or e-mail with any questions or concerns that you may have! We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, January 13th!

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Mon. Dec. 18th: 5 pm: Professional Float Choice

DEADLINE January 5th: by 5 pm: Parade Application Due in City Hall,



2018 Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade

"I Have a Dream" Parade

Saturday, January 13, 2018 ~ 3:00 pm

Organization _____
 Contact Person _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____
 Zip _____ Phone: Primary _____ Secondary _____
 E-mail: _____
 (Communication will be through e-mail unless otherwise noted)

ENTRY TYPE: Please complete all entry information... Each form represents ONE entry

- **Professional Floats:** (Floats are delivered and driven by Cline Floats Co. Please call events office for available rentals and information: 803-289-1498. Rentals must be ordered by **Mon. December 18th**)
 - With Walking Group? YES NO
- **Self-Built Float:** (1 Float)
 - With Walking Group? YES NO
 - Make/Model of vehicle pulling float _____
 - Type of trailer used as the float and size _____
 - Overall length and full measurements are important for positioning in staging area
- **Motorized Unit:** (up to 2 motorized units ONLY)
 - Make/Model of vehicle(s) _____
 - With Walking Group? YES NO
- **Walking Unit:**
 - Type of Walking Group (stepping group, marching band, Church group) etc _____
- **WILL Music/Sound** be added? ___ yes ___ no.
 - If yes, in what way... singing, sound system, Please explain _____

ENTRY FEE: \$10

**Return this entry form and appropriate entry fee by January 5, 2018.
 Mail to I have A Dream Parade PO Box 1149, Lancaster, SC 29721**

INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I/we further agree to defend, and hold harmless the City of Lancaster, SC, The I Have a Dream parade committee and its employees or agents against loss or expense, including attorney's fees for loss or expense because of bodily injury, death or property damage sustained by any person or persons. It is further agreed that I/we, as participants, will provide proof of general liability and auto insurance for the parade entry naming the City as an additional insured.

Participant further agrees to have received, read, understood, and will fully comply with all of the City of Lancaster "I Have A Dream" parade Rules and Regulations.

_____ <i>Name of Organization</i>	_____ <i>Organization Representative</i>
_____ <i>City</i>	_____ <i>Date</i>
_____ Participant's Signature	_____ Participant's Parent or Guardian

REQUIRED 2018 MLK, Jr. Parade Unit Information

Please complete for our hosts to use on the parade. Use additional pages if necessary

Name: _____ **Contact Information:** _____

Unit description:

Person in charge:

Number of members in your organization:

When your organization was founded:

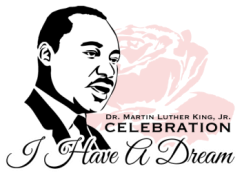
When your organization meets/number of hours it practices OR if business, hours of operation

Your activities during the year or services you provide

Information about your unit: (How it was built, hours spent building it, special features, etc.)

Any unusual stories about building the float or about your organization that you want to share

Other information you would like us to share on TV



“I Have a Dream” Parade
Saturday, January 13, 2018 ~ 3 pm ~ Guidelines and Rules

Application Deadline January 5, 2018

Entries participating in this theme will be eligible for judging. It is very important to the success of the parade and the full enjoyment and safety of all participants and spectators that you know your responsibilities. Please review these guidelines with your participants.

1. *Parade Units:*

- a. STAGING begins at 1:00 pm and ends at 2:30 pm on Jan. 13 Location Lancaster High School. No admittance after 2:45 pm.
- b. NO THROWING OF GUM, CANDY, AND/OR OTHER MATERIALS from units.
- c. Walkers may hand out candy.
- d. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden
- e. No smoking on or around units
- f. **FLOATS:** Higher than 30 inches from the ground must have side rails. Rails should measure a minimum of three feet from the floor of the unit.
- g. Participants are not allowed on or off of the parade unit once in motion.
- h. All motorized units must be operated by a licensed driver with current auto insurance. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST PRESENT DRIVERS LICENSE AND INSURANCE (General Automotive Insurance) AT STEP-OFF**
- i. Only street legal vehicles are allowed with general liability insurance shown at line up. If insurance is not present you will be asked to leave the lineup. **Horses/ Horse Groups must have Equine general liability insurance coverage and proof at the parade.**
- j. **Motorcycles/Automobiles/Horses/Any parade applicants that do any of the following (but not limited to): “racing”, “figure eights,” “Wheelies,” or anything considered “stunting” or “reckless behavior” will be ticketed or banned from participating in future events with the City of Lancaster.**
- k. **Motorcycles will be idling frequently.**

2. *All Parade Entries:*

- a. All performances must be in good taste. This is a family event, therefore routines and or expressions that are lewd, obscene are expressly prohibited and likewise actions portraying violent, abusive and/or offensive behavior are not permitted and will be grounds for removal.
- b. Adult 18 years or older must accompany children at all times.
- c. The signing applicant must have rules in their possession and be present at time of entry inspection.

3. *Entry Numbers/Signage*

- a. **Entry Numbers**, will be provided by the City of Lancaster Parade staff and distributed during parade line-up.

- b. **Signage:** Participants are responsible for sign or placard stating the name of the entry and sponsor. Signs must be on the first vehicle or held by the person at the front on the LEFT.

4. **LEARN TV- News Show** is a weekly news show produced by Lancaster High School students.
 - Learn TV will be located on Main Street before Gay Street.

5. **PARADE JUDGING**

- *BEST SOUND*
- *MOST SPIRIT*
- *MOST CREATIVE*
- *BEST BAND*

6. **NO On-Day Parade REGISTRATIONS.**

- a. **SAFETY IS FIRST!** We also reserve the right to remove any entry or participant from the parade when the actions of that entry, or its participants, present a danger to spectators or other parade entries. Decisions of The City of Lancaster and Parade Committee are final. If any automobiles, motorcycles, horses, or Any parade applicants that do any of the following (but not limited to): "racing", "figure eights," "Wheelies," or anything considered "stunting" or "reckless behavior" will be ticketed or banned from participating in future events with the City of Lancaster.

The primary focus of the "I Have a Dream" Parade is to provide a safe, enjoyable and quality parade in and on the streets of Downtown Lancaster in celebration of the life and Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. If at anytime leading up to or on parade day the weather/street conditions are deemed unsafe, the parade will be cancelled and rescheduled per Lancaster City.