

Emancipation Proclamation Association Annual Parade Contact and Registration Form

Fill out the form to stay in contact and to register for the 2026 Emancipation Proclamation Association Annual New Year's Parade and Celebration on Thursday, January 1, 2026. Parade lineup is at 9:00 a.m. EST at Burke HS and the parade begins at 11:00 a.m. EST. It will end at Liberty Square.

In 2026, we are celebrating the 161st Annual Emancipation Proclamation Association Parade and the 163rd anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's signing and announcing the "Emancipation Proclamation" on January 1, 1863.

This parade is the most consistent in the United States. We are thrilled to celebrate this significant milestone event!

If you wish to mail this form or check in you can address it to the following
Emancipation Proclamation Association Inc.

P.O. Box 31365

Charleston, S. C. 29417

Parade Rules and Policies

All parade participants, please note the parade rules and entry information. Thank you for your participation in the past, and we appreciate your compliance with the following guidelines:

- **NO revving of motorcycle engines** per the City of Charleston regulations
- An authorized adult **MUST** accompany all children in the parade and always remain with them
- Children **WILL NOT** be allowed to ride on the hood or on top of automobiles
- **NO** TOSSING OF CANDY OR THROWING OF other items along the parade route
- **NO** WEAPONS, CONCEALED OR OPEN CARRY ARE ALLOWED ON THE FLOATS OR IN THE PARADE

Parade Entry Fee

The fee below allows participants to include up to five (5) walkers and cars/floats in the parade.

If your organization/business plans to have 5+ cars/floats, you will be assessed an additional fee of \$10/car.

Type	Cost
Personal vehicles	\$25.00
Small Organizations (up to 40 members)	\$50.00
Small Business (up to 40 employees)	\$50.00
Large Organizations (41+ members)	\$100.00
Large Business (41+ employees)	\$100.00
Religious Institutions	\$100.00

Sponsors

Make a meaningful impact in our community by sponsoring
Emancipation Proclamation Association, Inc. Your support helps build educated, safe, affordable

communities for local families—and offers your business a valuable opportunity to give back. A description of each is on the website.

Sponsor	Cost
Liberty	\$500.00
Freedom	\$1,000.00
Victory	\$3,000.00
Emancipation	\$10,000.00

Contact Information

Are you submitting this form as an (select from drop down) *

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Name of Business, Religious Institution, or Organization *

Name of the President or Religious Leader *

First Name

Last Name

Address of Individual, Business, Organization, Religious Institution *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

E-mail *

Phone Number *

Area Code

Phone Number

Parade information and line-up will be sent to the provided email.

Media often cover the event so please give us a little bit of information about your religious institution, organization, or business so it can be shared with the audience *

Provide information for the liaison/ point person (The person who will coordinate with EPAC on behalf of your leadership) if it is different from above

Name

First Name

Last Name

Email

example@example.com

Address

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

Phone Number

Area Code

Phone Number

How will you, your organization, religious institution, or business participate in the 2026 Emancipation Proclamation Activities? (you may select more than one option) *

Religious Institution or community will have a watch night service

I or a representative will participate in the Emancipation Day parade in person

I or my religious institution, organization, business will invite others to participate in parade

My religious institution or organization will have a parade float

I cannot participate, I just want to help support, plan, and be added to the contact listing

Other

Float Information

Please contact Parade Floats by Allen, Ravenel, SC. LLC (843) 889-3166

How many of the above will you have? *

Entry Type *

Cars

Floats

Motorcycles

Marching Bands

Foot Patrol

Truck

Other

If your organization/business plans to have 5+ cars/floats, you will be assessed an additional fee of \$10/car.

How many 25ft spaces will you need for your vehicles? *

Is there any additional information you feel we need to know about the vehicles you will be bringing?

Will you have any children or elderly walkers? *

It will be your responsibility to submit payment for the parade participation to the Emancipation Proclamation and failure to do so will result in your float being dropped out of the parade. *

I understand that we cannot have any weapons, concealed or open carry on the floats or in the parade. *

Is there any other information you feel we need to know about your parade entry?

Payment

How will you pay your registration fee?

- Online via PayPal
- Mailing a check
- Hand delivering a check

I/We, hereby, release or hold harmless the Emancipation Proclamation Association, Inc. and the City of Charleston from all injuries or liabilities to person or property that might arise during the Annual New Year's Day Parade/Activities on Thursday, January 1, 2026 *