



Parade Date: Friday, November 22, 2024

Parade Line-up: 6pm

Parade Step Off Time: 7:00 PM

Parade Route: Main Avenue and Park Avenue

Thank you for your interest in participating in the 2024 Downtown Ashtabula Christmas Parade. This is a great opportunity for your group or organization to share your talents and pride with our community. The theme of the parade is “**Grinch**”, and where possible, units are asked to use much “**Grinch**” AND Christmas lights (parade will be held after dark), colorful displays, costumes, music and float(s).

Please complete the information on the second page, about your unit. Read the guidelines for participation and return your application to the address below. You will receive confirmation and detailed information, including your line-up number, prior to the parade. Units must meet participating guidelines (detailed on page 3).

The parade will follow the Ashtabula Police and Fire heading north on Park Avenue (corner of 44th Street and Park Avenue), turn right (east) on 42nd Street, then South on Main Avenue; turn right onto 48th Street (by the tracks) then head north on Park Avenue; end at the old Carlisle parking lot for a complete loop.

Please complete the application neatly.

Preferably by email: addachristmasparade@yahoo.com

Mail: HAIRAPIST
ATTN: Suzy Kist, Christmas Parade Chair
4610 Main Avenue
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004

If you feel so inclined, we are asking for any **donations of candy** to be dropped off at HAIRAPIST (Suzy's salon/barbershop) OR Kist by the Sun Tanning Salon 4610 or 4614 Main Avenue. Thank you in advance!

*Deadline for all submissions is November 9, 2024
NO SANTA's please. One will be provided.
ANY CANDY DONATIONS GLADLY ACCEPTED!*

Please print neatly or type. Scanned applications can be emailed to: addachristmasparade@yahoo.com



Group represented: _____

Unit Contact Person: _____

Mobile phone #: _____ May I text you? _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Email Address (this is mandatory for communication): _____

Mailing Address for Unit/Group/Organization: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Description of Unit: _____

Length of Unit: _____ # of people in Unit: _____

of Vehicles in Unit: _____ Float Motorized? If so, describe _____

Will the unit be playing music? _____

Write the announcement about your unit, to be read by the M.C.

I have read, understand, and accept the 2024 Downtown Ashtabula Christmas Parade Information & Participant Guidelines: (required)

Name of unit representative: _____ Date: _____

Signature of unit representative: _____

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2024 Parade Participant Information & Guidelines

Deadline for application submission: Deadline for all submissions is November 9, 2024. Late entries cannot be guaranteed placement in the parade.

Communication: All parade information is sent via email to each unit contact person at the email address provided. It is the responsibility of the contact to respond to all emails to confirm receipt. It is also the responsibility of the unit contact to inform members of the unit as to the details of line-up times, locations and other related information. Approximately one week prior to the parade, detailed information will be sent to the unit contact. Please print the materials and distribute them accordingly. Materials will include unit placement, guidelines, map of the route and related information. Information will also be made available at www.downtownashtabula.com

Weather: In case of inclement weather, please visit www.downtownashtabula.com for updates. Plan for cold temperatures and supply your unit properly with warm gear.

Unit Placement: The placement of all parade units is made at the discretion of the parade organizer. This decision is based on a number of criteria including but not limited to size and type. All units are considered important in making a well-balanced parade which is entertaining and safe.

Vehicles: Un-bannered vehicles will not be permitted in the parade or staging area. A unit must primarily consist of a float or group of people walking. Where permissible, a car may lead a unit, but it must have signage describing the group, organization, business or individual.

Elected Officials: Officials past and present of any office are welcome to participate in the parade as honored representatives of our community.

Parade Floats: All floats must have a fire extinguisher on board. People situated on any float or vehicle must be secured if standing or in a sitting position while moving.

Announcements: All units are announced at various places along the route over a public addressing system.

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Waiver: All groups, units, organizations, businesses, individuals, and others associated with such; participate in this Downtown Ashtabula Christmas Parade at their own risk. Those described above assume all responsibility and liability for any and all injury and/or damages associated with participating in the Downtown Ashtabula Christmas parade. The Ashtabula Downtown Development Association will be held harmless of any circumstance and released from any liability whatsoever in connection with anyone participating in the event described as the Downtown Ashtabula Christmas Parade.

Candy: For the safety of all patrons, candy is to be handed out or tossed toward the curb. NOT TO BE THROWN overhand at the parade watchers.

Donation: To help with the costs associated with the parade a \$10.00 donation is greatly appreciated but not required for participation.

Parade Chair: Suzy Kist is the 2024 Downtown Ashtabula Christmas Parade Chairperson. I am a volunteer to the ADDA, as are all who help organize all ADDA events.

It is preferred that you contact me via email at
addachristmasparade@yahoo.com

If you have any questions or concerns. *Please add PARADE in subject of email.*

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