

City of Turlock Presents.....



# 38th Annual Turlock Downtown Christmas Parade Superhero Style

**Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Line up begins: 4:30 pm

Parade Starts: 6:30 pm

**Registration** October 3<sup>rd</sup> – October 28<sup>th</sup>

Entry Fees: \$50.00 Non-Profit/General  
\$70.00 Commercial

**Late Registration** October 29<sup>th</sup> – November 4<sup>th</sup>

Entry Fees: \$70.00 Non-Profit/General  
\$90.00 Commercial

\*Entries over 50 feet total will be charged an additional \$25.00

\*Entries over 75 feet total will be required to pay for 2 entries

\*No entry over 50 feet (combined truck/trailer) will be allowed due to tight turns

*Sponsored by*



# Parade Application

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Entry

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address (This will be the main source of communication)

(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

Did your group participate in last year's Christmas Parade?       Yes       No

Mode of Transportation     Walking       Horseback     Yes I will have a clean up crew  
                                          Vehicle       Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Explain)

Type of Vehicle (i.e. semi, pickup truck, car) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Length (include vehicle pulling float) \_\_\_\_\_      Total Width \_\_\_\_\_      Total Height \_\_\_\_\_

See attached light specifications for entries; all portions of entry must be illuminated including vehicle pulling float; **If your entry exceeds your total length on the day of the parade, you will be asked to comply with your registered total length or forfeit entry**

**To determine your staging area and the amount of space needed, please describe your entry in detail:**

(Example: Float on flat bed truck w/ trailer (20 feet), 10 riders on float, 15 walkers in front of float, 2 motorcycles following float)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Waiver/Release and Assumption of the Risk of Liability

I have read and understand all parade rules and agree to be responsible for the above mentioned entry and participants and their compliance of all rules. I agree to inform all entry participants and their parents/guardians of all rules. The undersigned understands that participation in a parade on city streets may be dangerous and cause bodily injury and property damage, and that I hereby waive my right to sue the City of Turlock for any damages, fully release them from this liability and expressly assume the risk of being injured by participation in the parade. On behalf of the above mentioned applicant, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless and release the City of Turlock, its agents and employees from any and all liability of any injury suffered while participating in this event and will assume all risk for any injuries.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Return Application To:**  
City of Turlock Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities Department  
144 S. Broadway, Turlock CA 95380  
Phone (209) 668-5594      FAX (209) 668-5619

# Judging & Announcer Information

*Must accompany application*

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| _____         | _____          |
| Name of Entry | Contact Person |

**Judging Categories : Please Check One**

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|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. High School Band* | <input type="checkbox"/> Themed Entry (“ <i>Superhero Style</i> ”) |                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High School Band*     | <input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian                                |                                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color Guard*          | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Vehicle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Majorette Solo/Group  | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Entry                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Unique Entry    |

\*These categories are not judged

**Judges will recognize one entry for “Best Overall Use of Lights”**

Please type or clearly print an announcer description of your entry. The description must be 100 words or less; include information about your organization, information regarding your entry, sponsors, special people you would like to thank, etc. Announcers along the parade route will read your announcer descriptions to parade viewers as your entry passes by. *Staff has the right to edit your information.*

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# Light Specifications

*All parts of the entry must be illuminated*

| Entry                                                                                                                             | Light Specifications                                                  |
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| FLOATS                                                                                                                            | 3,000<br>minimum                                                      |
| BIG RIG<br>Truck, trailer or combination which is 25 feet or<br>greater.<br><b>Both truck and trailer must have lights.</b>       | 3,000<br>minimum                                                      |
| SMALL RIG<br>Truck, trailer or combination which is less than<br>25 feet long.<br><b>Both truck and trailer must have lights.</b> | 1,500<br>minimum                                                      |
| ANTIQUE VEHICLES                                                                                                                  | Truck &<br>Fire Truck<br>1,500 minimum<br><hr/> Car<br>300<br>minimum |
| EQUESTRIAN                                                                                                                        | 75 minimum                                                            |
| EQUESTRIAN W/CARRIAGE                                                                                                             | 600 minimum                                                           |
| BANDS                                                                                                                             | 20 per person                                                         |
| VEHICLES                                                                                                                          | 300 minimum                                                           |



# Specifications/Regulations

1. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ILLUMINATED.** The more lights you have, the better your entry will look. Each entry must meet the minimum light requirements-see attached; vehicles pulling floats must have lights.
2. The streets in the downtown area are narrow; please consider this when designing your float. The day of the parade, if your entry is greater than the measurements on your application, you will be asked to comply with registered total size or forfeit entry.  
**Maximum total combined length: 50'**                      **Maximum height: 14'**                      **Maximum Width: 8'6"**  
*Entries that exceed the above maximum measurements will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis for a possible variance of these requirements. These applicants will be required to submit a Transportation Permit Application in addition to the Parade Application.*
3. All entries are required to have a positive theme which respects diversity and is non-controversial.
4. This is a forward motion parade. Entries may not stop to perform.
5. Loud music and identification of entry is highly encouraged.
6. Nothing may be thrown from any entry.
7. No constant blowing of sirens or horns, this drowns out others music and scares the animals.
8. All gasoline-fueled generators must be quiet & exhausted 12" outside of any contained areas. Each entry is required to carry a fully charged fire extinguisher.
9. Entries must arrive at the staging location at the time specified by the parade committee.
10. NO alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the staging area or on any entry.
11. ABSOLUTELY NO SANTA ENTRIES. Santa hats are ok.
12. All walkers must have a minimum of one strand of lights, including band members. If children walk, there must be 1 adult for every 10 children to walk with the group. Children walkers are not encouraged, as the parade route is up to 2.5 miles long. All entries including bands will end at the Fairgrounds Parking Lot.
13. Animal entries must have a clean-up crew or your entry will be placed in the last division. Animals must be able to handle large crowds and noise.
14. All entries will be provided an entry number at the meeting on November 28<sup>th</sup>. This entry number must be on display in a visible location on the front left side of the entry when entering the staging area.
15. The parade runs even in rainy weather, be prepared.
16. All parade participants are expected to know and abide by all parade rules. Please provide a copy of the rules and maps to all participants in your entry. The person who signs the entry form is responsible for this. The signed application will be available to any person in your group who states they did not have access to the rules.

**There will be a MANDATORY meeting on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm at the Turlock Senior Center, 1191 Cahill. All entries MUST have 1 representative in attendance. For more information call the Recreation Department at 668-5594.**