

Subject: 2023 Sunfair Parade

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## Sunfair Parade Kicks Off 2023 Fair Season

The Yakima Sunfair Parade will follow its familiar route of more than one-and-a-half miles through Downtown Yakima on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The parade begins at 10:00 am and is anticipated to last until 1:00 pm. It is expected to attract about 10,000 spectators. The parade will include about 1,000 participants and 200 vehicles as it makes its way down Yakima Avenue from 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Naches Avenue.

The parade route will be closed to traffic, and side streets along the parade route will also be closed to through traffic while the parade is underway. As the last entries in the parade pass by the closed side streets, they will be reopened to traffic.

Yakima Avenue will be closed to all traffic from N. 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 6<sup>th</sup> Street from 9:00 am until the parade concludes. There will be no parking along the Yakima Avenue parade route from 6:00 am until the parade concludes.

In addition, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be closed to traffic for parade staging from West Nob Hill Boulevard to Summitview Avenue from 6:00 am until all parade floats are off of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There will be detours in place to help drivers navigate around these street closures.

Yakima Transit buses will detour around Yakima Avenue and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 8:00 am until 1:00 pm on Saturday. Normal service will resume after 1:00 pm.

More information about the 2023 Sunfair Parade is available at <u>Yakima Sunfair Parade |</u> <u>Facebook</u>