

## <u>News Release</u>

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## Street Closures Planned for Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration March

Motorists will find sections of some streets temporarily closed Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration March.

The march will begin Monday at 12:00 pm at Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. From there, it will proceed east on the boulevard to 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Participants will then head south on 8<sup>th</sup> Street to the Yakima Convention Center, 10 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Organizers will begin setting up at 11:00 am Monday. The march is scheduled to begin at 12:00 pm and organizers anticipate it will end at 1:00 pm.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard will be closed from North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to North 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Eighth Street will be closed from Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to Yakima Avenue.

Organizers said the march is to honor the slain civil rights leader. It is open to the public. They anticipate more than 400 participants.