



City of Yakima

# **News Release**

**Subject: Veterans Day Parade**

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## **Veterans to be Honored with Annual Downtown Parade**

The Yakima community will honor its veterans and all U.S. military veterans by staging the 2017 Veterans Day Parade in Downtown Yakima on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. The parade is sponsored annually by the Veterans of Foreign Wars - Post 379.

The parade will begin at 10:45 am at the intersection of Yakima Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street and will continue west to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue where marchers will turn south. The parade will end about a half-block east of the VFW - Post 379 building, which is located at 118 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It is scheduled to end at 12:00 pm.

World War II veteran Frank Beard will be the parade marshal. The event is expected to draw more than 500 participants and 50 vehicles.

No parking will be allowed on Yakima Avenue between 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 8:45 am on November 11<sup>th</sup> until the parade is completed. Cars parked along that portion of Yakima Avenue during that time will be subject to being towed at the owner's expense. North-south cross streets along the parade route will be blocked off while the parade is underway.