



SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

## ***America's Youth Inc, 25<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Celebration***

invites your organization to be a part of the Annual

**2023 Lighted Christmas Parade on December 2, 2023.**

The parade processional will line up at 4:30 pm at Buccaneer Ball Field, 11th and Ash Street. The parade will begin at 6:00 pm. We request that all entries reflect the theme, if possible,

“It’s” Christmas Time

The parade will take the normal parade route that will end back at Central Park Buccaneer Field.

Enclosed are the necessary forms that ***MUST BE*** completed and returned to the following address: America’s Youth Inc. 907 South 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034, or Email [john@americayouth.org](mailto:john@americayouth.org) (904. 624 . 5383).

If further information is needed, you may contact Vernetta Spaulding at (904) 583.1569 email, [vernetta121@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernetta121@bellsouth.net), or John Gilbert, Sr. America’s Youth Inc. (904) 624-5383, email at [john@americayouth](mailto:john@americayouth) . Deadline for all applications will be December 2, 2023.

Sincerely,

Louryne Spaulding  
Vernetta Spaulding,

America’s Youth Inc.

2023-LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE APPLICATION

THEME: ""

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2017 @ 6:00 P M

(Please Print or Type)

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

Entry Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Sponsor (if Applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Evening # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

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

Check Entry Category \_\_\_ Float \_\_\_ Walking Unit \_\_\_ Performance Unit \_\_\_

\_\_\_ Golf Carts \_\_\_ Vintage/Unique Vehicle \_\_\_ Motorcycle

State law requires that each operator of a towing vehicle is responsible for seeing that their trailer is properly secured and safety chains are used (Florida Statue 316.50)

Please complete the application and sign the enclosed Participation Agreement. All applicants must submit this document along with the Participation Agreement. By signing the Participation Agreement, you agree to abide by the Americas Youth Inc. Parade guidelines or you will be excused from the parade. Please direct all questions to

Vernetta Spaulding 904-583-1569, [vernetta121@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernetta121@bellsouth.net), and Louryne Spaulding, 904-583-3085, [LSpaul966947@gmail.com](mailto:LSpaul966947@gmail.com), or [americasyouthinc@comcast.net](mailto:americasyouthinc@comcast.net)

E Mail /bring documents to: *America's Youth Inc.*

*907 south 11<sup>th</sup> street,*

*Fernandina Beach, FL 32034*

**ALL UNIT/ENTRIES MUST BE LIGHTED**

ALL Participants must wear and provide their lightening Accessories (head wear, blinking noses, lighted or glow jewelry)

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY DECEMBER 6, 2017

# 2023-LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE

## PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

In consideration of being permitted to participate in such activity, the participant does hereby release and forever discharge Americas Youth Incorporation its officers, members, or assigns, jointly and severally from any, and all actions, causes of action, claims and demands for, upon, or due to any damage, loss or injury, which hereafter may be sustained by the participants, merchants, spectators, or others in consequence of participating in the Americas Youth Inc., activities, specifically the Fernandina Beach Lighted Christmas Parade. This waiver and release expressly includes any action, cause of action, claim or demand based upon any act, omission, or negligence by Americas Youth Inc., its officers, members, or Assigns.

This release extends and applies to, and also covers and includes all unknown, unforeseen, unanticipated and unsuspected injuries, damages, loss and liability, and the consequences thereof, as well as those now disclosed and known to exist. The provisions of any state, federal, local or territorial law or statute providing in substance that releases shall not extend to claims, demands, injuries or damages which are unknown or unsuspected to the person executing such release at the time of such execution, are hereby expressly waived. I hereby agree on behalf of my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, to indemnify the Americas Youth Inc., officers, members, or assigns, jointly and severally, and to hold the same harmless from and against any and all actions, claims, demands, and liabilities, loss, damages, and expense of whatever kind or nature, including attorney fees, which may at any time be incurred by them or claimed against them by reason of my participation in the Fernandina Beach Lighted Christmas Parade. I further agree that Americas Youth Inc., will abide by all guidelines, rules and regulations as set forth by Americas Youth Inc., This hold harmless and indemnity provision expressly includes any action, cause of action, clamor demand based upon any omission or negligence by Americas Youth Inc., its officers, members, or Assigns.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

(Print Name)

Return to: America's Youth Inc.  
907 south 11th street  
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034  
904-624-5383  
americayouth.org

## ***2023-LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE GUIDELINE***

1. No entry fee & Each parade entry must submit an application before the parade and by the deadline
2. Adults **MUST** accompany children, youth organizations, school groups, or non-profit groups with children participating.
3. Parade Officials will be stationed along the parade route to ensure compliance of all guidelines.
4. Entries should **NOT STOP** to perform.
5. **THROWING ITEMS INTO THE CROWD FROM A MOVING VEHICLE WILL BE PROHIBITED.**
6. All bike riders and skates must wear helmets and appropriate safety gear.
7. **ALL** vehicles towing a unit must have safety chains between the pulling unit and the float. The float must be secured (Florida Statute 316.50)
8. Horse entries are required to supply clean-up crews (pooper-scoopers) to follow behind their unit.
9. Only registered floats and vehicles will be allowed in the staging area. All others, including parade participants that will be riding or walking during the parade, must be dropped off or park at the 13th Street side of Central Park and then walk to the staging area.
10. The parade staging area is at and around Central Park. All participants must be in their position with their group or on their floats and ready to go no later than 6:00 P.M.
11. The parade route begins at the intersection of 11th and Ash Street, travels West to 2nd Street, North to Centre Street and East on Centre Street. The parade ends at Atlantic and 11th Street.
12. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in disqualification.
13. The Christmas Parade committee reserves the right to make any changes and or additions to these Parade Guidelines at any time without prior notice.
14. Santa Claus will be riding in the parade; we request no other **“SANTA”**