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Updates from the City of Oakland re: Warriors Victory Parade tomorrow, Thursday, June 15

Oakland, CA – As the victory celebration draws near, the City of Oakland announced additional details to help facilitate a smooth event tomorrow. The parade steps off at 10 am and the rally begins at 12:15 pm at the south end of Lake Merritt. For the most up-to-date and detailed information about how to enjoy the celebration, visit: www.oaklandnet.com or www.warriors.com/parade.

Traffic, Transportation and Parking Updates
Look out for parking restrictions in the downtown area. By 6 pm today, OPD will begin towing vehicles parked in no-parking zones.

The rally area at the south end of Lake Merritt in front of the Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center will be closed tonight at 7 pm and will reopen at 9 pm, with all incomers subject to bag checks. The back-stage area will be off limits to anyone without a credential. See map for pedestrian access restrictions near the rally site [http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak064330].

Plan ahead for your Thursday morning commute as there will be traffic restrictions starting at 6 am. The cross streets of 14th and 20th streets will close at 9 am, or earlier if downtown is full. You can exit the area, but not re-enter until after the streets re-open. Parking lots and garages are expected to fill early. Take BART or AC Transit if possible. More detailed street closure information is presented below and on www.oaklandnet.com.

At 7 am tomorrow, three I-880 off-ramps to downtown Oakland will be CLOSED: Oak St., Jackson St. and Broadway. These onramps will be re-opened when it is safe.

Free parking is available at the Oakland Coliseum, Lots A & B, between 8 am and 4 pm. Drivers can park at the Coliseum and take BART to downtown Oakland.

Safety Updates
The Oakland Police Department is asking the public to help keep the celebration safe by reporting any suspicious activity. Remember, “If you see something, say something.” If you observe something out of the ordinary – such as a bag left unattended, a spectator behaving oddly or a vehicle being driven in an erratic manner – please call (510) 238-6025. You can also send a text message with photos to: (510) 915-5680. For emergency assistance, dial 911.

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Lost Children/Meeting Points
If you get separated from your children or friends, please ask uniformed personnel for the location of the nearest reunification point:

- 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza (next to City Hall) — 1st Floor Security Desk, (510) 238-7275
- Oakland Public Library (Main), 125 14th St — Oak St. entrance, (510) 238-3616
- FM Smith Recreation Center (east side of Lake Merritt), 1969 Park Blvd, (510) 238-7742

What to Bring
- Sunscreen, hats, water, and your blue and gold!
- Bag restrictions at the rally site are as follows:
  - No bags larger than 16” x 16” x 8”
  - All bags, including backpacks and purses, are subject to search
- Signs and banners are permitted under the following guidelines:
  - They do not obstruct sightlines at the parade or rally
  - Dimensions do not exceed 18” x 18”
  - No obscene or inflammatory language

What Not to Bring
- Drones: No carrying into the perimeter or flying over the parade or rally
- Hard-sided containers of any size, including coolers and thermoses
- Glass containers or cans
- Lawn furniture or folding chairs
- Alcoholic beverages
- Illegal drugs
- Weapons of any kind
- Any size pole, stick, broom or other item that is or can be used as a weapon
- Sharp items of any kind
- Large umbrellas or pop-up tents
- Laser pointers
- Scooters and bicycles
- Fireworks

General Traffic and Transit Information for Parade & Rally
We’re expecting more than a million spectators for the victory celebration in downtown Oakland, so expect large crowds, traffic, and delays starting very early Thursday morning and lasting throughout the day.

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Parking will be limited and will fill up early, so plan to take public transportation (see detailed BART and AC Transit information below).

In addition to the crowds, no-parking zones and street closures will make driving in downtown Oakland very difficult starting early Thursday morning. Specific street-by-street closures are detailed below. Once the downtown area fills up, vehicles will not be allowed entry or will be re-routed out of the area. Motorists should be especially alert given the large number of pedestrians.

Look for posted no-parking signs in the downtown area, with restrictions that began on Tuesday, June 13 at 8pm through Thursday, June 15 at 6pm.

Most of the parking restrictions at the parade staging location, along the parade route, and at the rally site will be in place for 24 hours starting on Wednesday, June 14 at 6pm through Thursday, June 15 at 6pm.

Given the crowd size, plan on attending either the parade or the rally as the rally site is expected to reach maximum capacity early Thursday morning. It will be impossible to travel from the parade route to the rally site.

No boats or watercraft will be allowed on Lake Merritt or the Estuary Channel on Thursday.

**Parade Route**
The parade begins on Broadway at 11th Street at 10am, then proceeds north up Broadway before turning right on Grand Avenue, then right on Harrison, left on to 19th Street, then right onto Oak before terminating outside the Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center and along Lake Merritt Blvd. for the rally.

Port-a-potties and hydration stations to re-fill your water bottle will be scattered along the parade route. For parade details and a map, visit [http://www.warriors.com/parade](http://www.warriors.com/parade).

**Rally Celebration**
The rally celebration will be held at the south end of Lake Merritt in front of the historic Henry J. Kaiser Convention Center. The rally begins at approximately 12:15pm.

The rally site has limited capacity and access will be closed when capacity is reached. A remote viewing area is available at Lake Merritt Blvd. & E. 12th St.
Port-a-potties will be scattered throughout the rally site and at the remote viewing area. Viewing access at the rally site will be available to those in need of mobility service at 11th Street and Lake Merritt Blvd. Medical assistance centers at the rally site will be identified by giant red balloons floating above the tents. Beverage stations are also scattered throughout the rally site.

**Transit Information**

Public transit will be the easiest way to reach the Parade and Rally. BART and AC Transit are gearing up to accommodate large crowds. Please be patient as transit will be slowed by traffic congestion and heavy pedestrian traffic.

**10 Tips for Riding BART to the Victory Celebration in Oakland:**

1. Be patient, it’s going to get crowded; our busiest hours in 2015 were 8am-10am
2. Use 19th Street Station, avoid the much smaller Lake Merritt Station
3. Buy a Clipper card (clipper.com) in advance to avoid extremely long lines at ticket machines
4. Look for tables with cash only $15 Clipper card sales at 10 of our busiest stations
5. Parking will be packed; think about taking the bus or walking to BART or getting dropped off
6. “Permit” spaces in parking lots are for permit holders only, a citation will ruin the fun day
7. When boarding trains, move to the center of the car so more can fit, remove backpacks
8. Don’t jam a train door- it will take the whole train out of service and everyone will boo you
9. Some trains may not stop at Lake Merritt if the Rally Zone has reached capacity or crowding
10. Our service will not match the publish schedule so listen and pay attention

Check [www.bart.gov](http://www.bart.gov) for updates.

**AC Transit Reroutes Buses Downtown**

AC Transit buses will be rerouted around downtown Oakland for most of the day due to street closures in the parade and rally area. As road closures begin to affect bus service, AC Transit ambassadors will be deployed throughout downtown Oakland and Lake Merritt to help guide residents and visitors to appropriate bus stop locations. Additionally, AC Transit ambassadors will be distributing flyers with critical information regarding temporary reroutes and the affected bus lines.
Lines 1, 6, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 29, 33, 40, 51A, 62, 72, 72M, 72R, 88, 96, NL, Broadway Shuttle and All Nighter lines 801 and 840 will be detoured. Detours of these bus lines will occur in three phases and begin the night before the parade. Visit www.actransit.org to learn more about reroutes and additional service information.

**Temporary Transit Center at Castro Street**

Since many AC Transit bus lines start, transfer or end service in downtown Oakland, we have installed a Temporary Transit Center at Castro Street between 12th and 17th Streets. Downtown Oakland riders requiring transportation to the Castro Temporary Transit Center should look for the green Broadway Shuttle Buses. This service is free and will transport riders from the Castro Street Temporary Transit Center along 14th Street, Clay Street and 12th Street. The Shuttle will serve the stop at 12th and Clay Streets. For a map showing specific locations for lines, please visit www.actransit.org.

**Street Closures**

Certain streets in the parade and rally area will be closed starting Tuesday, June 13. For a map of the parade route and street closures, visit www.warriors.com/parade.

**Tuesday, June 13th at 8pm through Thursday, June 15th at 6pm**

10th St. between Oak St. & 2nd Ave.

**Wednesday, June 14th at 10am through Thursday, June 15th at 11:59pm**

East bound lanes Lake Merritt Blvd./Bridge between E. 12th St. & Oak St.

**Wednesday, June 14th at 2pm through Thursday, June 15th at 11:59pm**

West bound lanes Lake Merritt Blvd./Bridge between Oak St. & International Blvd. (E. 14th St.)
1st Ave. between E. 12th St. & E. 15th St.
11th St. tunnel
E. 12th St. between 1st Ave. & 2nd Ave.
13th St. between Madison St. & Oak St.
14th St. between Madison St. & Oak St.

**Wednesday, June 14th at 8pm through Thursday, June 15th at 6pm**

10th St. between Broadway & Martin Luther King, Jr. Way
11th between Broadway & Martin Luther King, Jr. Way
Clay St. between 10th St. & 12th St.
Jefferson St. between 10th St. & 12th St.
Thursday, June 15th at 2am through Thursday, June 15th at 6pm
Broadway between 11th St. & 14th St. (all service and AC Transit vehicles excepted)
Harrison St. West bound lanes between Grand Ave. & 20th St.

Thursday, June 15th at 6am through Thursday, June 15th at 6pm
The entire parade route
Broadway between 9th St. & 23rd St.
11th St. between Martin Luther King, Jr. Way & Franklin St.
11th St. between Madison St. & Oak St.
12th St. between Martin Luther King, Jr. Way & Franklin St.
12th St. between Madison St. & Lake Merritt Blvd.
13th St. between Broadway & Franklin St.
13th St. between Madison St. & Fallon St.
14th St. between Clay & Franklin (will remain open to cross traffic until 9am)
14th St. between Madison St. & Oak St. (will remain open to cross traffic until 9am)
15th St. between Broadway & Franklin St.
17th St. between Telegraph Ave. & Franklin St.
19th St. between Telegraph Ave. & Franklin St.
20th St. between Telegraph Ave. and Franklin St. (will remain open to cross traffic until 9am)
20th St. Between Webster St. and Harrison St. (will remain open to cross traffic until 9am)
21st St. between Telegraph Ave. & Franklin St.
21st St. between Webster St. & Harrison St.
22nd St. between Valley St. & Franklin St.
W. Grand Ave. between Valley St. & Bay Place
Webster between 21st St. & 23rd St.
Harrison St. between 17th St. & 23rd St.
Alice St. between 17th St. & 19th St.
Jackson St. between 17th St. & Lakeside Ave.
Fallon St. between 9th St. & 10th St.
Lakeshore Ave. between circle to 1st Ave.
Oak St. between 9th St. & 13th St.
1st Ave. between E.12th & International Blvd. (E. 14th St.)
9th St. between Madison St. & Fallon St.
10th St. between Madison St. & 2nd Ave.
E. 12th St. between 1st Ave. & 2nd Ave.

14th St. and 20th St. to remain open to cross traffic until 9 am at the latest.

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