## Solano Avenue Stroll Opening Ceremony

The micro-parade travels west-bound on Solano Avenue from Colusa in Berkeley to Masonic (the BART tracks) in Albany. The route is seven-eighths of a mile and fortunately down-hill.

Ceremony starts at 10:00 am sharp!

- Begin checking-in at 8:15 am and absolutely no later than 9:00 am
- Meet near Solano and Colusa (1820 Solano Avenue Berkeley, CA 94707)
- Have ONE person your coordinator check in with the parade organizer.
  - Your coordinator will be given a number and instructed where to line up.
  - o Your number represents your place in the parade order.
  - The parade organizer is Shaun Charles from <u>Beacon Home Care</u>. Shaun will be at the intersection of Colusa and Solano, and can be reached at 510-682-7572.
  - o The SAA can be reached at 510-527-5358.
- Once your group has its number, you should line up down Colusa in parade order
- When the parade begins, stay in order and move to Solano and begin your parade
  - Keep your group together at all times during the parade
  - Discourage participants from stopping to greet people they may know in the crowd a smile and a wave is plenty!

The end of the route is at the BART overpass (Masonic Avenue) 45 minutes away.

- Odd entry numbers turn right (north)
- Even entry numbers turn left (south)

### **IMPORTANT:**

- No throwing candy. Do not distribute giveaways or other materials
- \*Entries with vehicles must have FOUR volunteers to walk alongside
- \*Please do not pause for any reason there is no parade judging

## Additional Information:

The Solano Avenue Association does not "automatically" produce signage for VIP and other participants; nor do we assign VIP's a vehicle to ride in during the parade. If you do need assistance of any kind, please let us know – the sooner the better.

The most important thing you must do in the parade is be safe. The second most important, is to have fun!

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

The Solano Avenue Association 510-527-5358

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<sup>\*</sup> These changes are in response to Police Department request and will be strictly enforced

# What does it mean to escort a car down with four volunteers?

Four escorts walk alongside the vehicle, one at each wheel.

Walk halfway between the vehicle and the crowd on the side.

Please have volunteers look out for potential hazards. Thank you.

### **FRONT**

**Escort** 

1

**Escort** 

4

**Escort** 

3

**Escort** 

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