



City of Fairfax, Virginia

Parks and Recreation

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Calling all Float Parade Participants!

The Independence Day Celebration Committee (IDCC) will be adding a \$150 incentive to any organization/business submitting an application to enter a float in the parade. The following qualifications will need to be met:

1. All floats that would like to be considered for the \$150 incentive must consist of a vehicle towing a float; entries that are decorated vehicles will ***NOT*** qualify as a float.
2. Floats must participate the day of the parade in order to receive the \$150 incentive as well as to qualify for the prize money.
3. Floats are required to abide by the overall theme which, in 2018, is "Live Life Connected."
4. All decorative material shall be manufactured or treated to be effectively fire retardant.
5. Participants on a float are not permitted to throw, toss or drop objects from the float to the crowd.
6. All participants riding on open floats shall have solid sitting arrangements with hand holds readily available to them. Any standing participants shall have stabilized body support with means to prevent falling from the unit. No person shall be wired or tied to the float. Secured safety rails, barriers, or ropes may be used to prevent a fall from the float. No unsecured riders may be located where they might fall beneath the float, its wheels or between the tow vehicle and the float (e.g., no seating on rear edge of tow vehicle or on front edge of float). If present, children must be under adult supervision and seated at all times when in motion. Riders are to remain on float once parade begins and at all times when the float is in motion. Alcohol consumption or smoking on the float is prohibited.

Volunteer judges will be judging all floats with prize money awarded to the top three judged floats as follows:

First place	\$500
Second Place	\$300
Third Place	\$200

The prizes for the above-mentioned categories will be awarded at the July 4th evening show at Fairfax High School.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mitzi Taylor at 703/385-7949 or via email at mitzi.taylor@fairfaxva.gov.