## 2024 Brainerd St. Patrick's Day Parade Information

It is time to make plans for your participation in the Brainerd St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade is coordinated by a community committee. The committee intends the parade to be a family event suitable for children of all ages. To ensure a successful parade and celebration, the committee has adopted the following rules:

- 1. The parade is limited to 75 units. Participation will be denied to units registering after 75 units have been registered.
- 2. The maximum length of each unit is 100 feet, with the exception for high school bands, fire truck, and special units.
- 3. To be registered on the parade roster, all parade units must sign and return the attached "Waiver Agreement," complete and return the entry form, and pay a fee (if applicable).
- 4. Parade entries will be accepted now until the **absolute deadline** of March 13, 2024 at 5 pm. Late entries will not be considered. Entry forms should be sent back to:

  Brainerd Community Action | 321 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 105 | Brainerd, MN 56401

  An electronic entry form can also be sent to: Info@BrainerdCommunityAction.org, but payment may still be necessary.

Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Any notice of denial will be sent within ten working days of receipt, or within three days after the close of the deadline if received after March 1, 2024, and will occur for reasons stated in a written denial notice, which are consistent with the criteria set forth herein.

- 5. Candy and other items may **NOT BE THROWN FROM ANY VEHICLES OR FLOATS AT ANY TIME** during the parade.
- 6. All commercial units (any for profit business) must pay a \$25 entry fee.
- 7. Any political office holder or candidate for a political office must pay a \$25 entrance fee, with the exception of parade dignitaries.
- 8. Each horse unit is required to provide for "ROAD APPLE CLEANUP."
- 9. The parade will be open to expressions of support for political candidates, or public issues under the following guidelines: A) Political officeholders or candidates for political office may participate in the parade, subject only to the content-neutral restrictions described in paragraph ten below.
  - B) Applicants who seek either to express support for political parties or candidates for office or to express opinions on public or political issues may participate in the parade, subject to the content-neutral restrictions described in paragraph ten below.
- 10. All parade participants shall conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for a family audience of all ages, march in a peaceful and orderly fashion, and participate in a civil manner with respect to other participants and the public. Parade participants shall not use obscenity, profanity, defamation, threats, or fighting words.

The Parade will begin at 1pm. A letter of confirmation, route map, directions to access the staging area, the location of water stations and restrooms on the parade route, and the schedule will be sent to you. Before your entry may be registered, the attached forms must be filled out **completely** and returned to the Community Action office, 321 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street | Suite 105, Brainerd, MN 56401.

We thank you for your parade entry and look forward to a successful St. Patrick's Day celebration!

Dave Badeaux
Executive Director
Brainerd Community Action

## 2024 Brainerd ST. PATRICK'S DAY Parade Entry Form

Saturday, March 16, 2024 | Parade Time: 1 pm

Yes, my \$25 fee is enclosed. All con	nmercial units (any 'for prof	it' business) must pay a \$25 entry fee.
No fee, I'm a nonprofit.		
Yes, I have read and signed the wai	ver agreement (on the back	of this form).
Name of unit:		
Contact Person:	Telephone:	
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email:		
Description of float or unit		
Please indicate actual measurement of yostaging!		(length in feet). This is important for
Do you use music, PA, or other amplified :	sound? Yes No _	
Please provide additional comments for t	he announcer/judges.	

Judges will select second place, first place and the Best of Parade.

This completed form must be turned in to the Brainerd Community Action office NO LATER THAN 5pm on MARCH 13, 2024. Late entries will not be considered. A map of the parade route, staging number and location of necessary services will be emailed to you.

Brainerd Community Action 321 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street | Suite 105, Brainerd, MN 56401 An electronic entry form and signed waiver can also be se sent to: Info@BrainerdCommunityAction.org

## **2024 Brainerd ST. PATRICK'S DAY Waiver Agreement for Release Claims**

We hereby release and discharge the St. Patrick's Day Parade committee and Community Action Council, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the Committee), the City of Brainerd, and the City of Baxter, their agents, employees, and officers, from all claims, demands, actions, judgments, and executions that may arise from participation in the St. Patrick's Day parade. The release includes all claims that I or my child may have or which my child's heirs, executors, or assigns may have against the Committee or the cities for all personal and property injuries caused by or arising out of participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

I have read this release and understand all of its terms. I acknowledge the inherent dangers involved in riding on a float, walking in the parade, riding a horse in the parade or riding a vehicle in the parade, including the dangers created by falling off a moving vehicle or horse, other motor vehicle traffic, street conditions and other participants. I voluntarily execute this release. I understand and agree that no one will be able to hold the above named parties liable for any injuries to my child or me.

Name of Organization			
Signature of Participant			
Signature of Farticipant	Dutc		
List of Names participating in your parade unit:			