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Subject: Celebrate “From Sea to Shining Sea: 250 Years of the American Spirit” in South Pasadena’s 4th of July Parade

South Pasadena, CA – The City of South Pasadena invites you and your organization to take part in its cherished 4th of July Parade! A community favorite since 1982, the hometown celebration will begin at 11:00 a.m., starting on Diamond Avenue by the Library Community Room and ending at Garfield Park.

The parade has long featured Scouts, elected officials, local service clubs, Little League and AYSO teams, and South Pasadena Tournament of Roses Committee volunteers riding atop the chassis of the City’s Rose Parade float. Marching alongside them are dozens of children from the South Pasadena Library’s Summer Reading Program and library staff.

This year’s theme, From Sea to Shining Sea: 250 Years of the American Spirit, invites participants to celebrate the nation’s history, spirit, and enduring sense of community through creative decorations, patriotic displays, and music. Groups may walk or ride in a decorated vehicle along the approximately 0.6-mile route.

To participate, complete the one-page registration form and agree to the parade guidelines by Thursday, May 28, 2026. Forms can be submitted:

- By email (preferred): specialevents@southpasadenaca.gov
- By mail:

South Pasadena Recreation Division
815 Mission Street
South Pasadena, CA 91030

Registration forms and guidelines are available at www.southpasadenaca.gov/events.

A virtual pre-parade meeting for participating organizations will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Additional meeting details will be provided to registered participants in advance.

After the parade, join us for the Party in the Park at Garfield Park, followed by the fireworks spectacular at South Pasadena High School beginning at 9:00 p.m. The evening includes a pre-show concert from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact Community Services Supervisor Nathalie Wilcox at (626) 403-7380 or via email at specialevents@southpasadenaca.gov.

About the City of South Pasadena

The City of South Pasadena is a charming community, situated only six miles from downtown Los Angeles. Called the City of Trees, the area is known for its stunning homes, unique small businesses, and top-quality schools. South Pasadena’s diverse population of about 25,000 occupies a mere 3.44 square miles of flatlands and hillsides on the west side of the San Gabriel

Valley. This small-town atmosphere makes South Pasadena one of California's most desirable locations.

For more information about the City of South Pasadena, visit www.southpasadenaca.gov. Follow us on social media to keep up with the latest news: [Facebook](#), [X](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube](#).

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