

Dear AIDS Walk Participant with Team AID Atlanta

It is almost here! The 30th Annual AIDS Walk is right around the corner! Please find below the most current information that we have collected about AIDS Walk Atlanta 2021! Yes! there is going to be an in-person walk/run on Saturday, September 25th starting and ending in The Meadow of Piedmont Park.

Due to COVID19 safety precautions there are some differences you will immediately see. First, organizers are trying to have a 'contact-free' check in using QR codes that will be posted around the event site. If you have checks to submit you may bring them, or you may mail them to event organizers with your name, contact information, and where the gifts should be recorded. The mailing address is:

AIDS Walk Atlanta
c/o AHF
6255 Sunset Blvd. Suite 2100
Los Angeles, CA 90038

If you have collected cash, count it, deposit it into your account, then make an online gift to your own fundraising page. You have until 10/25/2021 to get all your donations into event organizers.

The event will also ask everyone to social distance. If you have a group of 10 participants, you may group together in a viewing booth. If you have 20 people? 2 pods. Organizers request that your group be fully in attendance to get a pod.

Event Info

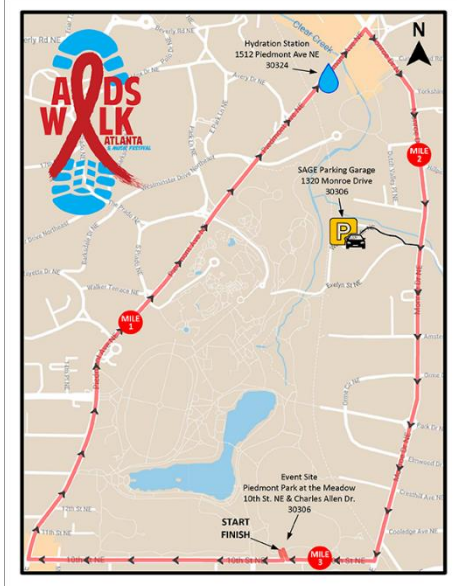
AIDS Walk Atlanta 2021
Saturday, September 25, 2021
10:00 am - 2:30 pm
The Meadow of Piedmont Park

Schedule for the Day

10 AM	Site Opens
11:30AM	Walk and Run Start
12:30PM	Music Festival Starts
1:15PM	Headlining Acts Perform
2:00PM	Event Ends

Parking is limited

Please use MARTA, UBER, LYFT, or Carpool. Paid parking is available for \$15 at SAGE parking lot, 1320 Monroe Drive. Parking in the neighborhood is severely limited, often requiring a permit. Parking violations are enforced on Saturdays and are doubled during a festival.



Route

- The walk is a 5K (3.1 miles).
- Exit the park from The Meadow heading West on 10th Street.
- At Piedmont turn right (North). Follow until Monroe Drive.
- At Monroe Drive turn Right (South). Follow until 10th Street
- Turn right on 10th Street and re-enter The Meadow.

Pics and snaps

Make sure to bring your camera or phone. Tag all your social media posts with #TeamAIDAtlanta and #AWA2021. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

Music Festival

AIDS Walk Atlanta will feature Ludacris and Sevyn Streeter!

Check-In: Walkers

When you arrive at the event, you will check yourself in via QR code to remain contactless. The QR code will be posted on signs at the Walker Check-In tent, so don't forget to bring your phone.

Check-In: Runners

When you arrive at the event, you will check in at the Runner check-in tent to get your bib assignment and timing tag. Once you get to the start line, you can start running at any time. Your Chronotrack timing chip will start tracking you as soon as you cross the mat. There will not be a single start time. There will be a QR code on your bib you can scan to check your results.

What to Bring

Face covering, sunblock, sunglasses, ID, comfortable shoes, your fully charged phone and/or camera, and a credit card for food & drinks

Do Not Bring

Wagons, pets, coolers, large umbrellas or picnic baskets. THE FOLLOWING IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED: Weapons, Glass, Outside Alcohol, Drones

Hints

- Cell Phone Service is notoriously bad during a festival. Set up safeguards to meet in a certain spot if you get separated. Always have a buddy!
- The day is long. Eat a breakfast and possibly pack a lunch. There is little food available in the park until after the Walk/Run. Registered sub-team members and Team AID Atlanta members are invited to swing by the AID Atlanta tent for light snacks.
- Begin hydrating the night before by drinking full 12-ounce glasses of water before bed, and when you wake. Take a bottle of water with you onto the route. There is one hydration stop about 2 miles into the walk/run (near Monroe and Piedmont).

Onsite Check In and Fundraising

In order to keep the event contactless, there will be no collection of donations at the event. However, there will be QR codes around the site so visitors can donate easily with a mobile phone. Be sure the QR codes takes you to: <http://www.aidswalkatlanta.org/goto/teamaidatlanta>

Assembly

- Once you check in, pick up any fund-raising awards you earned, please join us (safely) at the AID Atlanta tent. We have a 10' x 10' tent to welcome Team AID Atlanta and our Sub-Teams. It may be a tight squeeze. Welcome; All T No Shaid, Decatur Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Front Runners, Macy's and Walgreens will be assembling 'near' our AID Atlanta booth.
- We will keep our AID Atlanta Booth, through the entire event. We'd love for you to safely join us for the music festival. You may wish to bring a blanket to sit on during the festival.
- If you haven't started fundraising, Now is the time. If you abhor fundraising... please make a contribution to your own fundraising page. Not registered?! Then make a general gift to team AID Atlanta using this link: <http://www.aidswalkatlanta.org/goto/teamaidatlanta>.
- [For AID Atlanta Staff only: Team AID Atlanta shirts are available to those staff who attending the event. RSVP to jon.santos@aidatlanta.org to confirm your participation. Don't forget about the Above and Beyond Points.]

- AID Atlanta Community Partner Shirts are provided to all sub-team members. Please contact Dani.Mitchell@aidatlanta.org with your team's size requests, and how you'd like to get your shirts.

If you have any questions, please contact: dani.mitchell@aidatlanta.org or jon.santos@aidatlanta.org

Important Safety Information

We are taking safety very seriously. We have a COVID safety plan in place that has been reviewed and approved by Fulton County and the City of Atlanta, and our ability to hold this event in 2022 and in the future depends upon the cooperation of all participants in following these guidelines.

- If you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please do not attend the event. Visit the CDC's website for more information about coronavirus symptoms.
- There will be distanced viewing boxes for each pod of participants during the ceremony and music festival. These boxes accommodate up to 10 people. Your group of up to 10 people will need to arrive together and will choose your pod area.
- Participants will be released to the Start line from their viewing boxes.
- Participants are encouraged to wear masks/face coverings throughout the event unless eating or drinking. Get vaccinated if you have yet to do so.
- Participants will need to follow social distancing and other health guidelines posted on-site.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at the festival and water stops. Please use it.
- Participants should avoid physical contact (hugs, high fives) with people outside of their group.
- Failure to comply with safety measures may result in participants being asked to leave the event.