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JUL 21 2016  
To: Chief Armstrong  
Chief Atkins

7/15/2016

Re: United Way of West Central Mississippi's True Color Run on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

Dear Gentlemen,

The United Way of West Central Mississippi is planning for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual True Color Run which will be held in the gorgeous City of Vicksburg on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The suggested route (see attachment) will start and end at the corner of Jackson and Washington (Vicksburg Farmer's Market Lot), with an after-party being held at the Vicksburg Farmer's Market lot at the corner of Washington, Jackson, and Grove Streets. The after-party will have amplified music on the lot between 8:00AM and 11:00AM.

In addition to our permission to hold a color run and after-party on Saturday, September 17, 2016 from 7AM to 12:00 (noon), I am requesting the following items in order to ensure the success of this day.

- We will need Washington Street between Jackson Street and Grove Street closed from 7AM-1PM to accommodate the crowds that will be gathering for the run/walk and for the after-party.
- United Way will need to coordinate with The Vicksburg Police Department and The Vicksburg Fire Department.
- We will need all streets outlined on the attached route closed while runners/walkers are present, knowing that the indicated color stations will need to remain closed until the 'color' is removed from the street.
- We are requesting the use of the City's Street Sweeper to ensure all 'color' is removed from the streets immediately after the last runner/walker passes through a color station, so that the roads can be opened without personal vehicles driving through the clouds of 'color' that will be left behind.

- We will need access to electricity for the following:
  - The 'START' Blow-Up Arch that will be placed close to Farmer's Market Lot.
  - A sound system located at the start of the race.
  - The 'FINISH' Blow-Up Arch that will be placed on Washington near the electric pole located on the Vicksburg Farmer's Market Lot.
- In addition to the Farmer's Market Lot, we would like to have access to the easement located directly on the hill adjacent to the Farmer's Market Lot so that the DJ can secure his equipment from the color being thrown by the participants at the after party.
- On Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, we would like to begin the set-up for the after-party on the Vicksburg Farmer's Market Lot.
- We will have trash cans on site. It is our request that the city provide general clean-up of the Vicksburg Farmers Market lot.
- Before the start of the True Color Run, we would love for the Mayor to welcome the guests to his city and thank those in the community for advancing the common good by supporting our 21 partner agencies.

After your prompt response regarding street closures, it is our desire to inform our community of road closures, increased police patrol during the hours of the event, and the possible 1,000 participants we are expecting by utilizing local radio stations, the Vicksburg Post and Channel 23.

We will be using a non-toxic based powder that washes away easily; specifics about the product can be provided to the board at their request.

ALL registration fees will go directly to our 21 partner agencies to ensure their sustainability in our community. I strongly believe this will be a day set aside for individuals in our community and surrounding communities to celebrate who we are and what we believe in. It will be a beautiful day to LIVE UNITED.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,



Michele Connelly  
Executive Director  
United Way of West Central Mississippi

## 2016 True Color Run Suggested Route

The Runners will start at the Farmer's Market Lot on Washington Street headed south. They will take a left on Belmont Street, then a left on Cherry Street. The runners will take a left on West Pine Street, followed by a right on Monroe Street. They will continue by taking a left on Veto Street, then a right on Mulberry Street. They will finish by taking a left on Clay Street followed by a right on Levee Street with a right on Washington Street. The race will begin and end at the Farmer's Market Lot.

