

# St. Patrick's Day Info for South Side Businesses

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City of Pittsburgh seeks South Side businesses' assistance in keeping celebration activities safe. Please share this information with neighboring businesses:

## SAFETY

**What to do in Emergency:** After calling 911, designate a staff person to meet emergency personnel at the door, and then lead them to the emergency.

**Prevent Escalation:** If you see a problem bubbling up, don't second guess, call 911 immediately. It is easier to contain an incident before it escalates.

**Social Media:** Use #PGHStPatricksDay for social media marketing and to access safety updates.

**Watch out for Vulnerable People:** Emergency Medical Services urges you to keep watch over intoxicated persons to ensure they don't leave with strangers or under other suspicious conditions. Monitor restrooms frequently for those who may have passed out or overdose victims.

**See Something, Say Something:** Businesses, employees and customers are encouraged to report anything that doesn't look or feel right. Do not be afraid to call 911. We want you to.

## SANITATION

**45 Portable Toilets** paid for with Parking Enhancement District (weekend night meter revenue) will be located in five surface parking lots between 1300 and 2000 blocks of E. Carson and between 1800 and 2000 blocks of Sidney. Hand sanitation will be provided for each unit and refreshed throughout the day.

**Businesses are responsible** to keep sidewalk free of litter in front of their business. Please pick up throughout the day to prevent slipping and tripping. Night businesses, after closing time please push litter on sidewalks into street for DPW to sweep.

**Street Cleaning:** 2 person Clean Team supported by Parking Enhancement District (PED) funds will focus on Carson early in the day and side streets later in the day. Department of Public Works (DPW) will be cleaning streets after the celebrations. DPW will do their best to attend to overflowing trash during the day, though they likely will not be able to get through the traffic.

**Sunday Clean Up** – 2 person Clean Team supported by PED funds will supplement Sunday morning. Volunteers are welcome to chip in and make South Side beautiful for brunch.

## ENFORCEMENT

**Sidewalk Signs:** For the safety of pedestrians, no sandwich boards (A-Frame sidewalk signs) or any other sidewalk obstructions will be permitted. Enforcement will be present on Saturday.

**Sidewalk Vending:** No sidewalk vending will be permitted on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**RPP/Parking Meters:** Parking meters will be enforced as usual Saturday until midnight, as will the Residential Parking Permit areas. To facilitate traffic flow and emergency access, there will be **no parking** on East Carson between 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> (both sides) starting early morning of Saturday, March 14. 24 hour notice will be posted.

## **PARKING/SHUTTLES/SHARED RIDES**

**Public Safety Lane:** To assure access for emergency vehicles, no parking will be allowed in the public safety lane (East Carson between 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>) starting early morning Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Signs will be posted 24 hours in advance.

**Uber/Lyft/Z-Trip:** Help promote shared rides. Businesses are encouraged to create their own discount code through their preferred platform. The following discounts are good on Saturday for **1st time rides:**

- Uber: PGHPARADE2020 for 30% off
- Z-Trip: ZLUCK for \$10 off

**Employee Parking:** Communicate to employees that parking meters and RPP parking areas will be strictly enforced on St. Patrick's Day. Encourage using the free 24 hour park & ride.

**FREE PARKING** – 700 free parking spaces are available in the Second Avenue Parking Plaza located on Second Avenue at the confluence of Armstrong Tunnel and the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge beginning at 5:00 a.m. on Saturday.

**FREE shuttle** 5:00 a.m. Sat to 5:00 a.m. Sun. from the Second Avenue Parking Plaza stops at the First Avenue Parking Garage & T Station and stops on South Side at: Bedford Square (near Jacks), S. 18<sup>th</sup> and Sidney (at parking lot) and S. 21<sup>st</sup> @E. Carson (across from Candy & Cigar). During peak hours there will be two shuttles running. A real time tracker for the shuttle is available ONLY when shuttle is in operation and may be found at [www.ssniterider.com](http://www.ssniterider.com). The lot is fenced, extremely well-lit and will be patrolled regularly by police. Shuttle drivers will drive employees directly to their car in this lot only.

## **FOR ALCOHOL LICENSED BUSINESSES**

**Occupancy Checks:** Due to dense crowds and for the safety of customers, Fire Inspectors will monitor occupancy on Parade Day. Be sure to count your own staff in the number you are limited to on your occupancy load.

**Contain Amplified Sound** including television volume. Amplified sound heard beyond the licensed property line is violation of the license. Liquor Control Enforcement will be present and listening.

**Monitor Lines Outside** and make sure they are hugged close to your building to allow for safe pedestrian passage.

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**Thank You:** The City of Pittsburgh is grateful for your partnership in keeping Pittsburgh safe on St. Patrick's Day and every day. We hope you have a successful day!

**Let us Help:** Call/Text with questions or issues. We will be working on South Side Saturday to liaison and problem solve.

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