

Faithful Freedom Flags Project

Post Flags in Highlands Ranch on Patriotic Holidays

Dawn to Dusk

Honoring America and Citizens

Display of community patriotism in celebration of our liberty

Flags the Length of Highlands Ranch Parkway

Initial phase from Lucent Blvd to Ridgeline Blvd

Community Project

With the approval of Douglas County & Highlands Ranch Metro District

Flags, poles, and permanent ground sleeves donated to Douglas County

Initiated by the Knights of Columbus

Volunteer labor donated to construct, post, and retrieve the flags

Volunteers welcome – organizations, businesses, and individuals



Faithful Freedom Flags - Procedure

1. All volunteers need to review/learn proper Flag etiquette
 - a. Post flags during daylight hours - spotlights for night are not authorized for this project
 - b. Honor each flag - Do not let flag touch the ground
 - i. Unfurling or Furling on the pole
 - ii. Do not lay poles on the ground
 - c. Tightly roll flag completely on post – secure flag with Velcro strap
 - d. Report (and keep separate) significantly soiled or torn flags to KofC rep
 - i. KofC – Bernie Kuta 720-413-8924 daddyshands@hotmail.com
 - ii. KofC – Dave Stauber 303-472-2171 davestauber66@gmail.com

2. SAFETY

- a. All personnel must wear high visibility garments (safety vest with reflective stripes) - gloves are recommended
 - b. DO NOT walk on roadway (travel lanes) – use the sidewalk
 - c. Drive vehicles on shoulder/bike lane next to curb (NOT in travel lanes or on sidewalks)
 - d. DO NOT cross HR Parkway with flags in hand, except at designated cross walks, with the signal
 - e. Carefully handle poles,
 - i. avoid swinging 13' long poles into live traffic lanes
 - ii. Poles are heavy, do not swing or poke to hit other workers
 - f. Avoid getting OFF/ON or IN/OUT of the carrier vehicle while on roadway, use curb side for entry if needed
 - g. No one less than age 12yrs may work on foot along roadway
3. Post/retrieve according to time schedule attached
 - a. Dawn - posting
 - b. Dusk - retrieval
 - c. Flags are stored in storage shed #1 at St. Mark Catholic church (address is 9905 Foothills Canyon Blvd)
 - d. Minimum crew size is 4 people (2 drivers and 2 on foot) (3 if posting from parking lots without shadow vehicle)
 - e. Approximate posting/retrieval time is 45 minutes
 4. Two vehicles should be used on the roadway. Each shall have a flashing amber beacon and hazard flashers turned on from departure/return to starting point in church parking lot
 - a. Carrier Vehicle

Drive in shoulder/bike lane next to curb (NOT in travel lane since flag poles are long)
Alternate method: drive vehicles in adjacent business parking lots for flag delivery to stay off roadway
 - b. Shadow Vehicle - following by 100 feet

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Dawn - Posting

1. Discuss Safety on roadway every time the crew gathers.
2. Move flags/poles from storage shed to carrier vehicle (pickup / trailer)
 - a. Place in carrier vehicle with flags to the rear
 - b. Separate larger diameter poles on the right and smaller diameter poles on the left in vehicle
 1. Ground sleeves are white 1-½" PVC pipe, or grey 2" PVC pipe
 2. Ground sleeves are placed in grass or in rock / mulch landscaping
3. 36 flags on HR Parkway (18 on each side), from Lucent Blvd to Ridgeline Blvd
 - a. Flag locations are marked with a 2"x3" painted flag on the sidewalk
Sleeve distance from the mark is noted in white lettering



- b. Spacing of flags is approximately 175 feet apart and on each intersection quadrant
 - c. 4 flags at the Veterans Memorial around circle, under round irrigation covers outside of low wall
4. Delivery Route: Drive on South side of HR Pkwy (eastbound), turn Right on Ridgeline to library parking lot (Veterans Memorial); then to North side of HR Pkwy (westbound)
(Alternative: deliver flags (up to four at a time) by leaning the collection of flags against pedestrian crossing signal at each intersection for ease of delivery for walking crews. Crew can walk along sidewalks with up to four flag instead of each individual flag coming out of the carrier vehicle – this may work best when using business parking lots for delivery.)
5. Remove Velcro straps, unfurl flags and post flags
 1. Collect straps in plastic bin
 2. Organize Velcro straps by stacking them in an "asterisk" formation
 - a. Post larger diameter poles in ground sleeves on the south side of HR Pkwy and at all four quadrants of intersections at Lucent Blvd and at three quadrants at Ridgeline Blvd
 - b. Post 4 smaller diameter poles at the Veterans Memorial
 - c. Post smaller diameter poles on north side of HR Pkwy
(except at 4 corners of Lucent and 3 corners of Ridgeline intersection quadrants)
6. Return safety vests and flasher beacons (in the plastic tub) to the Storage Shed

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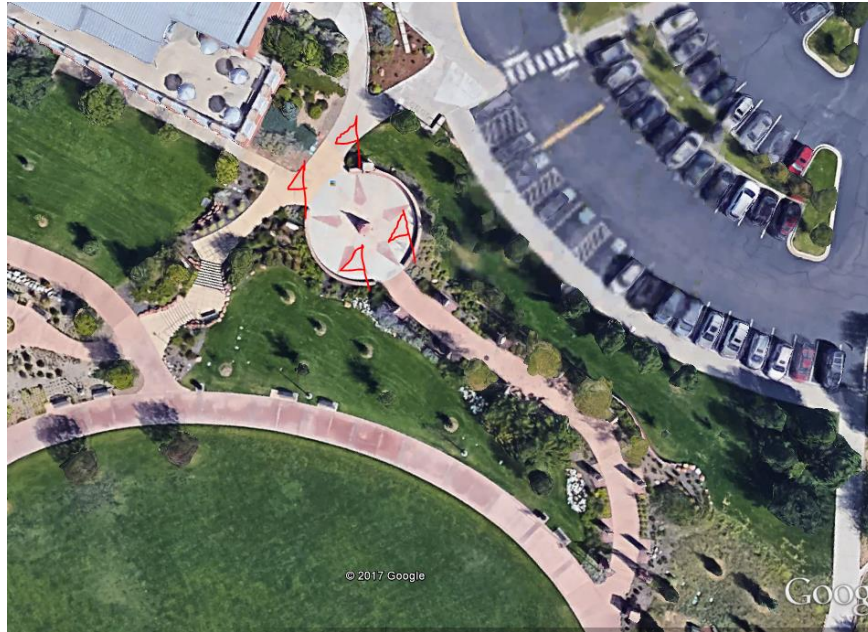
Dusk - Retrieval

1. Obtain for use – High Visibility Safety Vests and amber flashing beacons from storage shed
Discuss Safety on roadway every time
2. Pick-up Route: Drive on South side of HR Pkwy (eastbound), turn Right on Ridgeline to library parking lot (Veterans Memorial); return to North side of HR Pkwy (westbound)
 - a. Retrieve flags individually, roll flag up on pole, secure with strap
 - b. Place in carrier vehicle
 1. Flag end toward the back
 2. Carefully load to avoid soiling flags with mud from bottom of pole

(Alternative: Crew can walk along sidewalks and collect flags (up to four at a time) between crossing streets, and lean the collection of flags against pedestrian crossing signal at each intersection for ease of loading in to carrier vehicle.)
3. Return to St. Mark church at slow speed with long poles.
4. Transfer from carrier vehicle to the storage shed, carefully move to avoid soiling flags with mud
 - a. Flag end toward rear on shelf
 - b. Use wood boards between each layer of flag poles
 - c. Place separator boards on edge if flags are wet, to increase the airflow for drying
5. Return safety vests and flasher beacons (in plastic tub) to the small shelf at the right in the Storage Shed
6. Verify storage shed is locked

**Faithful Freedom Flags
Highlands Ranch Veterans Memorial
Civic Green Park – Near Library Parking Lot**

Placement of Four Flags



Flag Pole Sleeves – Under Irrigation Box Covers (4)



Remove Cover to Post Flag / Replace Cover after Retrieving Flag