

**SEPTEMBER 13TH
SUNDAY**

**12 PM
LITTLE VILLAGE ARCH**

**UNITED
WE RIDE
STRONGER
THAN
EVER**

**KNOW
BEFORE
YOU GO!**



**55th ANNUAL 26TH STREET
MEXICAN
INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE**



EVENTS RESTRICTIONS

Get ready for **September 13, 2026**
at the 26th Street corridor.

We are excited for the events lined up
for the day including:

New Life Centers' El Grito 5K and the
**26th Street Mexican Independence Day Parade -
55th Edition.**

Read through *each image* for important information
to know ahead of both events.



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STREET CLOSURES

No parking will be allowed on the following street locations.

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| • 26 & Sawyer going south to the Alley | Saturday 9/12/26 6pm to 9/13/26 9pm |
| • 26 & Christiana going north to the Alley | Saturday 9/12/26 6pm to 9/13/26 9pm |
| • 25th St. (From California to Kostner) | Saturday 9/12/26 9pm to 9/13/26 9pm |
| • 26th St. corridor (From California to Kostner) | Saturday 9/12/26 9pm to 9/13/26 9pm |

Towing will begin at 1am on Sunday, 9/13.

- Please plan ahead as vehicles **WILL NOT BE RELOCATED**.
- Per City of Chicago ordinance vehicles will be towed.
- If your vehicle is towed, you can **call 311** to locate your vehicle.
- You will be required to pay a fee to the impound lot.

Please take all cautionary measures to avoid having your vehicle towed.



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GET THERE

We recommend using public transportation or rideshare.

If you are coming from outside of Little Village please note the multiple street closures and limited parking.

ARRIVE BY TRAIN

Confirm routes and schedules at [a](#) and www.metra.com

Kedzie Pink Line

0.8 miles/16 minute walk, north of the parade start point.

Pulaski Pink Line

0.8 miles/16 minute walk to parade route or to northwest of the parade start point.

Central Park Pink Line

0.7 miles/15 minute walk to the parade midpoint.

Western METRA TRAIN BSNF ELECTRIC

Take BNSF Metra Electric line to Western Avenue. Walk 5 min to the Pink Line - Western



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BUS PLANNED REROUTES

#60

Blue Island/
26th

Sunday, Sept 13 - 5 AM to 4:30 PM - Temporary Reroute

#60 buses will operate in both directions via 26th, California Blvd, 24th Blvd, Marshall Blvd, Cermak, Cicero, and the 24th Place bus terminal.

#53

Pulaski

Sunday, Sept 13 - 5 AM to 4:30 PM - Temporary Reroute/Shuttle Service

#53 buses will operate in two sections: between Pulaski/Peterson and Pulaski/Cermak; and between Cermak/Pulaski and 31st/Komensky.

#52

Kedzie

Sunday, Sept 13 - 5 AM to 4:30 PM - Temporary Reroute

NB #52 via Kedzie, 36th St, California Ave, 24th Blvd, Marshall Blv, Cermak, and Kedzie. SB via Kedzie, Cermak, Marshall Blv, 24th, Calif, 36th Pl, Albany, 36th, and Kedzie.



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ENFORCEMENT SAFETY

In an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) encounter

REMAIN CALM

- Do not run or make any sudden movements
- Keep your hands where the agents can see them

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT

- You can say “I wish to exercise my right to remain silent”
You can refuse to answer questions
- You can refuse to provide any documents or information regarding where you were born, when or how you arrived to the country
 - Do not lie, it is preferable not to answer questions

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK WITH AN ATTORNEY

- You can say “I wish to speak with an attorney”
- Call the **ICRR Family Suport Hotline** at **1-855-435-7693**,
or call your attorney (memorize your attorney’s number)

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All volunteers and staff members are rapid respond trained



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EVENT SAFETY

Security is a top priority for **Little Village Chamber of Commerce** and **New Life Centers**.

We are working to ensure extra precautions are in place for a successful and safe event every year.

If you see something suspicious, please call 911.

EVENTS RESTRICTIONS

- NO unauthorized drone usage.
- NO alcohol allowed.
- NO weapons are allowed.
- Rooftop viewing is prohibited and WILL NOT BE allowed.



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PARADE REGISTRATION

On-site parade participation
registration

WILL NOT BE allowed.

LVCC has the right to remove
any unregistered participants.



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ABOUT THE RACE



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All race proceeds will go to support **New Life Centers'** mission to connect youth and their families with Christ and community through restorative justice, safe spaces and life relationships.



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RACE EVENTS & ROUTE

The day begins with **Zumba** at **8 AM**.

The **Kids Dash** precedes the race and kicks off in front of Manuel Perez Jr. Plaza at **8:30 AM**.

The **El Grito 5K** race kicks off in front of Manuel Perez Jr. Plaza at 9 AM.

Participants will run to the Little Village arch and run back to the starting point for an awards ceremony.



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BROADCAST/PHOTOGRAPHY

We are excited to have you join us for these events!

Please note that there will be photography and videography throughout the event to capture memorable moments.

These photos and videos may be used for promotional purposes, including but not limited to our website, social media channels, and future marketing materials.

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Capture and share photos on social media!

Tag us on social media

[@littlevillagechamber](https://www.instagram.com/littlevillagechamber)

[@newlifecenters](https://www.instagram.com/newlifecenters)

[@elgrito5kchicago](https://www.instagram.com/elgrito5kchicago)



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