



FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

JULY 19, 2021

RAGBRAI 2021 Traffic Information

On Monday, July 26 our community will host riders of the annual RAGBRAI event as their second overnight stop along this year's route. This event is expected to bring 15,000+ riders and their support staff to Fort Dodge. This influx of bikes and vehicles will significantly increase the daily traffic flow we are used to.

To ensure the safety of those RAGBRAI participants, and still allow Fort Dodge residents the ability to navigate the city, the Fort Dodge Police Department and Fort Dodge Public Works will be closing several roads throughout the city.

Bikers will enter the city at HWY 169 and Kenyon Road. From there they will travel along Kenyon Road to the main campground area located at Sunkissed Meadows. Monday evening downtown will serve as the vendor and entertainment area. Riders will then depart Tuesday morning, crossing the city from Sunkissed Meadows before heading east past Rosedale Rapids.

Listed below you will find detailed information regarding the upcoming road closures throughout the city. We encourage everyone to use caution and plan ahead when traveling Monday, July 26 and Tuesday morning, July 27. It is our hope that both the riders and community members have a safe and memorable experience, while celebrating RAGBRAI 2021 in Fort Dodge.

All roads will return to normal traffic flow at approximately 11:00 A.M. Tuesday morning.

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.
Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).

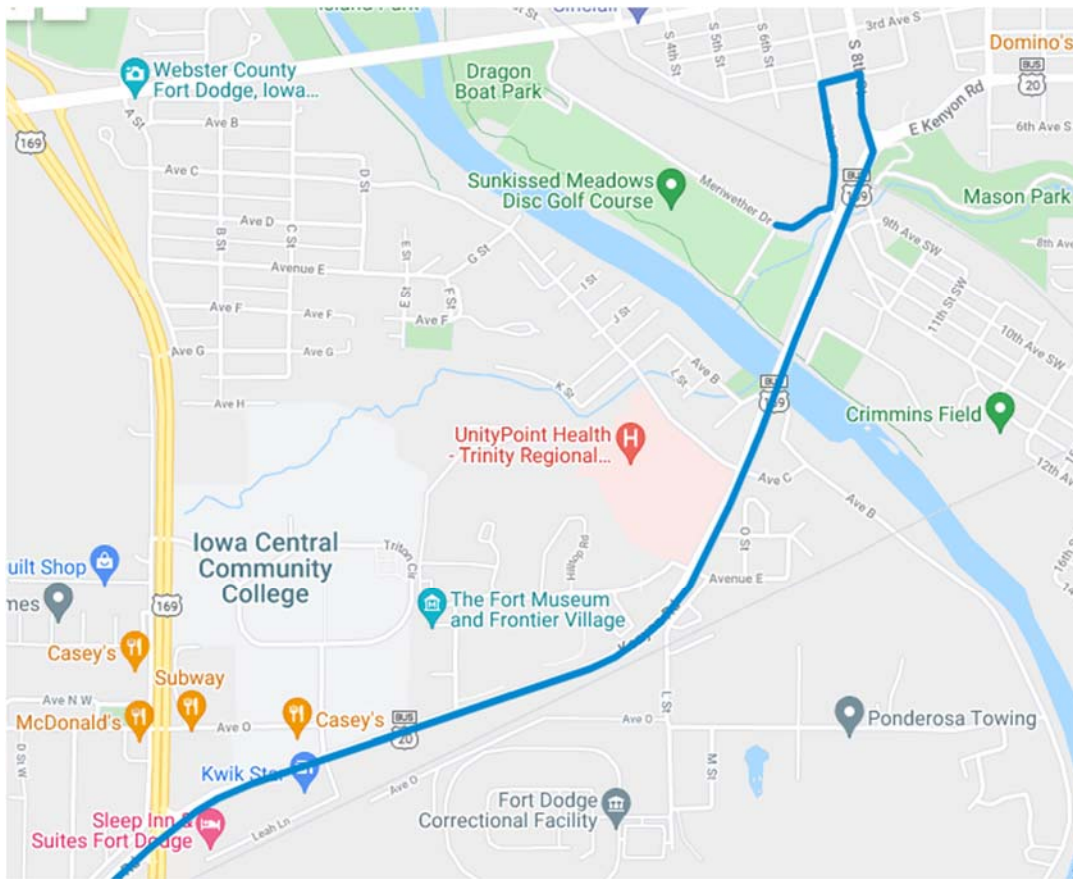


FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

ARRIVAL ROUTE (4:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Monday, July 26)

- Kenyon Road from HWY 169 to South 8th Street
 - Officers will be assigned to each intersection along the route
- Vehicle traffic will be reduced to head-to-head traffic on Kenyon Road from HWY 169 to 12th Street starting at 4:00 A.M., lasting until approximately 6:00 P.M.
- Riders will cross Kenyon Road at 8th Street
- Riders will then loop down to the main campground at Sunkissed Meadows



- **Pleasant Valley Neighborhood**
 - South 7th Street will be closed
 - South 14th Street and South 22nd Street access points will be open

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.

Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).



FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

Monday, July 26 Road Closures starting at 6:00 A.M.

- South 7th Street from Sunkissed Meadows to Central Ave will be closed to vehicle traffic.
- South 8th Street from 3rd Ave South to Kenyon Road (Detour to 12th Street)
- Intersection of 1st Ave South (Crosstown Connector) and 7th Street will remain open for east/west vehicle traffic.
- Central Ave from 3rd Street to 12th Street will be closed.
 - Roads will be closed a ½ block north/south of Central Ave allowing access to alleyways.
- Meriwether Drive will be closed.
- City Parking Lot behind the Trolley Center will be closed. (Being used as a shuttle drop off/pick up)
- The majority of the camping will take place in Sunkissed Meadows.
- The majority of downtown will remain closed until approximately 2:00 A.M. Tuesday

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.

Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).

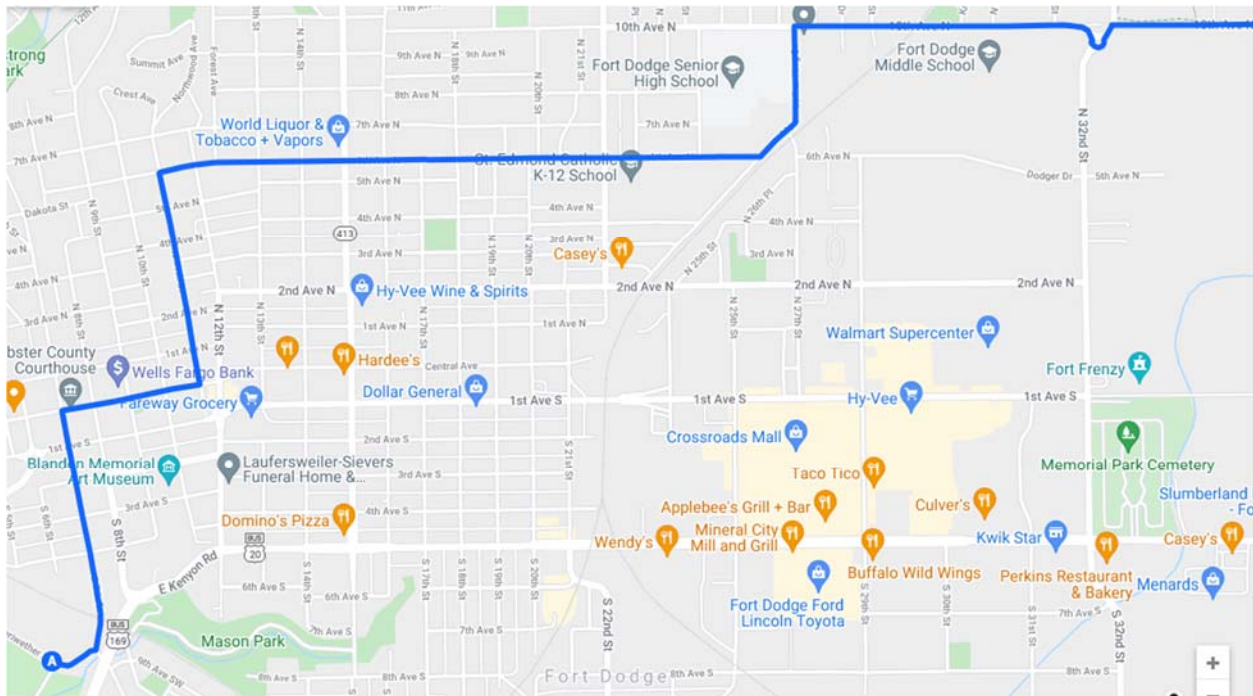


FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

DEPARTURE ROUTE – Tuesday, July 27 (5:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.)

- Route Out
 - SunKissed Meadows up 7th Street to Central Ave
 - Central Ave east to 11th Street
 - 11th Street to 6th Ave North
 - 6th Ave North, east to MLK Drive
 - MLK Drive to 10th Ave North
 - 10th Ave North, east out of town



On Street Parking (North 11th Street and 6th Ave North)

- **NO PARKING will be allowed on North 11th Street and along 6th Avenue North from midnight to 11:00 A.M. Tuesday morning.** Any vehicle parked along this route will be towed at the owner's expense.

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.

Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).



FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

Driveway access along the route

- Riders will be utilizing the parking lane and the south traffic lane. Vehicle traffic will continue along 6th Avenue North using the north traffic lane. We STRONGLY ENCOURAGE anyone along the route to utilize alley or off-street parking. This will help avoid exiting your driveway into bike traffic. If you must use your driveway, use **EXTREME CAUTION** when exiting to ensure no riders are in your path.

6th Avenue North from 11th Street to MLK Drive, Tuesday morning, July 27



- **North/South Vehicle Crossing Locations along route (manned by officers)**
 - North 9th Street and Central Ave
 - North 15th Street and 6th Ave North
 - North 22nd Street and 6th Ave North
 - All other areas crossing the bike route will be closed to crossing vehicle traffic
- **North 32nd Street**
 - North 32nd Street will be closed to thru traffic
 - Northbound traffic should detour on 1st Ave South to 15th Street
 - Southbound traffic should detour on 25th Ave North

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.

Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).



FORT DODGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

702 First Avenue South • Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
P 515-573-1424 • F 515-573-7788 • fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org

Pleasant Valley and Knollcrest Neighborhoods

- Pleasant Valley Neighborhood (Monday and Tuesday morning)
 - 7th Street will be closed
 - S 14th Street and S 22nd Street access points will be open
- Knollcrest Neighborhood Residents (Tuesday morning)
 - 10th Ave North will be closed
 - Will need to detour to North 32nd Street, north to 25th Ave North and back into town to North 22nd Street

Public Information Officer: Captain Ryan Gruenberg - rgruenberg@fortdodgeiowa.org

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Fort Dodge Police Department.

Crime Stoppers can also be contacted anonymously by calling (515) 573-1444 (STOP), online at www.wccrimestoppers.com or by texting "LEC" and the tip to CRIMES (274637).