The City of Rock Island invites you to participate in the 39th annual old-fashioned Labor Day Parade scheduled for Monday, September 4, 2023. Build a float, enter your business vehicle, organization, school, church van or simply walk the parade route. All clowns, hula-dancers, neighborhood groups, families, schools, church, and civic groups are welcome to join the fun!

**Planting Pride – Growing Together** Parade organizers chose this theme to ask what inspires pride in our community. Is it our schools, libraries, or city parks? Community art projects, neighborhoods, or strong team spirit? Or a special person, organization, business, or church. Entries could also be based on anything that grows or is planted. Non-theme related entries are always welcome!

All entries are judged with winners selected from five different categories: Mayor’s Choice, Council’s Choice, Parade Board Choice (best theme related entry), and Citizen’s Choice. There are Best Category Awards for floats from a business entry, church entry, and school entry. All winners are recognized at an October meeting of the Rock Island City Council.

**Note:** Families with children watch our parade. Please moderate the special fX and the horrific!

**Parade Route:** The parade starts at 33rd Street and marches west along 18th Avenue.
At 24th Street, the parade turns left and continues south to 25th Avenue, turns right onto 25th Avenue and disbands into the Rock Island High School parking lots.

**Entry Fee:** $10 for ALL entries (Make check payable to City of Rock Island)

**Parade Day Schedule:**
8:30 a.m. Participants check-in and line-up
9:30 a.m. Parade begins
11:45 a.m. Parade disbands into RIHS grounds

Please return this form with participation fee by **Monday, August 21, 2023**, to:

City of Rock Island
Parks & Recreation Department
4303 24th Street
Rock Island, IL 61201
Phone: 309-732-7275 | Fax: 309-732-7267
Email entry to: gleason.daniel@rigov.org

**CONTACT PERSON:** ___________________________________________ **PHONE:** _____________

**GROUP NAME:** ________________________________________________

**MAILING ADDRESS:** ____________________________________________

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**e-mail:** _____________________________________________________

**DESCRIBE ENTRY (please provide info on number of vehicles, approximate length, etc...)**

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Any music with your entry? ________________________________

Thank you!