

2019 Race Information

The primary purpose of United Way “What Floats your Cardboard Boat” Race is to have some big fun while kicking off our fall fundraising efforts to better our community. Human powered boats made entirely of cardboard will race around the Urban Fisheries pond at Cascades Park and compete for trophies in individual heats. It is all happening on Friday, September 6th at 4:00pm.

Boat Registration-

- Fleet will consist of the first 20 paid registrants
- Entry fee is \$200
- Registration closes when the fleet is full

Race Rules & Procedures-

- **This year’s theme is “FOOD”**
- **Again this year - Each boat must have at least 2 paddlers!**
- Every person in a boat must wear a properly fitted personal flotation device while in the water. Teams will provide their own device.
- All crew members must sign a Participation Waiver/ Hold Harmless Agreement.
- All boats must be built in compliance with construction specifications & rules outlined in “Boat Building 101” received with paid registration.
- Failure to abide by any design rule, race rule or discretion of a race official shall be cause for disqualification. The judges’ decision shall be final.
- Race Day Schedule:
 - 3:00 Entire crew check-in & judging begins
 - 3:45 Safety briefing for all participants with Sheriff’s Dive Team
 - 4:00 Race begins! Boats will be randomly assigned to a heat. The winner of each heat will move to the final race
 - 4:45 Parade of Boats- all boats not in the final heat are invited for a relaxed lap around the pond.
- After the race, boat crews are responsible for removing ALL cardboard, decorations and other materials from the water & the grounds. Boats must be taken home or disposed of in an on-site dumpster. Please respect our beautiful Jackson County park!
- Alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted at any time. No solicitations by any group or individual is permitted at the event.
- Encourage spectators to vote with their dollars for the “People’s Choice Award”. They can text FLOAT to 30306 to vote for their favorite boat anytime leading up to the event. They can also vote for their favorite by making a cash donation on race day during kickoff. The boat with the most \$\$ in the jar and paid in “text-to-give” wins this category. All proceeds go to the United Way of Jackson County.
- Award Categories- 1st place, 2nd place, Judge’s Choice, People’s Choice, Best Theme Representation and Most Spectacular Sinking.

BOAT RACE REGISTRATION FORM

United Way of Jackson County 2019 Campaign Kick-Off
8th Annual "WHAT FLOATS YOUR CARDBOARD BOAT?" RACE

Friday | September 6th, 2019 | 4:00p.m.

Urban Fisheries Pond | Cascades Park | Jackson MI

Organization / Business Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Website _____

Contact's Name _____ email _____ Contact cell _____

Captain's Name _____ email _____ Captain's cell _____

Name of the Boat _____ submit by August 23, 2019.

of crew members anticipated _____

All participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Crew Member Names

Each Crew Member in the boat must wear a Personal Flotation Device and complete a Participant Waiver Form.

Registration Includes: 10 Sheets of 4 X 8 ft cardboard **Team Registration Fee: \$200.00**
: "Boat Building 101" Handbook
: 2 LIVE UNITED T-shirts (given out on Race Day) Sizes _____

Additional T-shirts (\$8 each) _____ (number of shirts) X \$8.00 = \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make all checks payable to "United Way of Jackson County" and mail to
United Way of Jackson County, Attn: Stephanie Schiro, 536 N. Jackson St. Jackson, MI
49201. Please put BOAT RACE on the memo line. Thank you!



PARTICIPANT WAIVER/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

ANY PERSON WHO WILL BE IN THE WATER MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM!!!

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE MUST BE WORN.

LIABILITY RELEASE – I, the undersigned, release, indemnify and hold harmless United Way of Jackson County, the organizers, Jackson County and County of Jackson Parks Department from any and all liability in connection with any injury (including any injury caused by negligence), cost, loss or expense in conjunction with the “What Floats Your Cardboard Boat” Race on Friday, September 6th, 2019.

I understand that the activities involved with the race contain an element of hazard or risk. I recognize the inherent danger involved and take full responsibility for my actions and physical condition. In consideration of my participating in the race, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the United Way of Jackson County, Jackson County and the County of Jackson Parks Department, its employees, agents, representatives and successors and any other group or individual associated with this event for any personal injuries or property damage or loss suffered while engaged in the race activities.

I agree that I am fully responsible for payment of all costs resulting from the rendering of medical aid and ambulance services to me as a participant in any race activities and I authorize that all necessary first aid steps may be taken as prescribed by qualified personnel.

COMMUNICATIONS RELEASE – I hereby assign the rights to the video and/or photographic recording(s) made of me on Friday, September 6th, 2019 by United Way of Jackson County. I hereby authorize the editing, duplication, reproduction, copyright, exhibition, broadcast, and/or nonprofit use and distribution of said recording(s) for purposes deemed suitable by United Way. I understand that these materials will become property of the United Way of Jackson County without payment or any other consideration.

I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished products including written or electronic copy, wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photograph/video.

I hereby certify that I am over eighteen years of age and am competent to contract my own name insofar as the above is concerned. I have read the foregoing release, authorization, and agreement, before affixing my signature below and warrant that I fully understand the contents thereof.

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Full Address: _____ Cell Phone _____

Company / Organization _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone Number: _____

Signature of Participant: _____ Date of Birth: _____