## **Event Guide**

### Special Olympics Kentucky

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Paducah Big Brown Truck Pull September 20, 2025 Four Rivers Harley-Davidson

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## **Overview** About the Truck Pull

- The Paducah Big Brown Truck is a competition between teams of 15 to pull an 80,000-pound UPS 18-wheeler 12 feet in the fastest time.
- Teams raise or donate a minimum of \$1,000 to compete.
- Proceeds from the Truck Pull directly benefits the McCracken County Special Olympics delegation and Special Olympics the state.

### **Divisions & Awards**

#### Fastest Pull Time Awards:

- Men's
- Women's
- Co-Ed (Must have at least 6 women)
- Youth (Ages 8-18)

#### Fundraising Awards:

- Top Fundraising Team
- Top Fundraising Individual
- Top Fundraising SOKY Athlete

#### **Spirit Awards:**

- Best Team Spirit
- Best Team Costume
- Best Team Custom T-Shirt





## **Overview** Steps to Success

#### 1. Register & Recruit

- Each team consists of no more than 15 people. 8 years-old is the minimum age.
- Register your team at PaducahTruckPull.com

#### 2. Raise

Each team must raise a **minimum of \$1,000** to secure your spot in the competition.

\$1,000 Entry: Participant T-shirts (up to 15), Two (2) Pulls

\$2,000 Entry: Participant T-shirts (up to15), Three (3) Pulls

**\$4,000 Entry:** Participant T-shirts (up to 15), Three (3) Pulls, team will receive personalized message & autographed picture from members of the SOKY **Athlete Leadership Program**.

Use social media: Through the **Participant Center,** launch a **Facebook Fundraiser (see page 11)** to share your fundraising goals far and wide.

### 3. Pull

Your team shows their strength by pulling an 80,000-pound UPS 18-wheeler 12 feet! Trophies are awarded for the fastest time in each of our divisions (See Page 1).

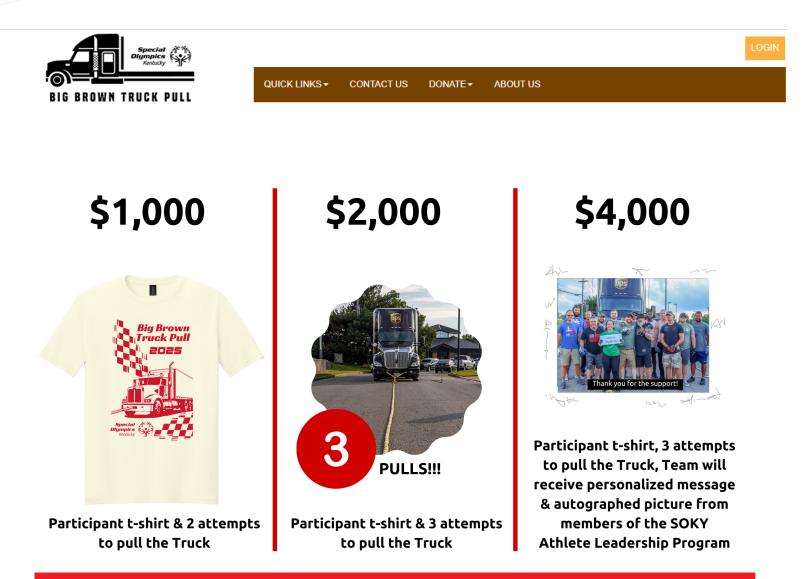
### 4. Celebrate

The Lexington Truck Pull is an important fundraiser for Special Olympics Kentucky. Whether you've hoisted a trophy for your division or won a spirit award, there is still much more to celebrate.

### 5. Family Fun Zone

Invite your friends and family to watch your team compete then enjoy the expanded Family Fun Zone! Enjoy fun games and activities (See Page 5).

## **Overview** Fundraising Prizes



Up to 15 shirts for your team. Sizes range from Adult S - 3X.

Shirts and sizes are not guaranteed. The supply chains in place require final orders approximately one-month in advance of the event. To conserve funds raised, we order shirts and sizes based on projected attendance at that time.

## Overview Schedule

#### Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> Four Rivers Harley-Davidson 3005 Old Husbands Rd. Paducah KY 42003 2:00pm Family Fun Zone opens -Games, vendors, inflatables -SOKY Athlete Leadership representation **Check-in opens** 2:30pm -Captains Check-in team -Captains confirm roster\* **Opening Ceremonies & Award Presentation** 3:00pm -Special Olympics Oath -Special Olympics Athlete Speech -Sponsor Recognition -Fundraising and Costume Awards

#### Honorary Pull immediately after Opening Ceremonies

#### Division winners will be presented following the final pull!

\*Open roster positions can be filled with **SOKY Athlete Leaders!** If the team has a full roster, a SOKY athlete can pull as the 16<sup>th</sup> team member.

Captains will report if they'd like to add SOKY athlete(s) to their team when you registering the team online, and will confirm at Check-in.

## **Overview** Check-In Details

### Event Check-in

Saturday, September <sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm-3:00pm at Four Rivers Harley-Davidson **Team Captains ONLY** 

Each team raises or donates the minimum entry of \$1,000 (\$375 for Junior Pull Team) and must have event waiver for each team member to compete in the event.

Captains must submit paper waivers for participants that did not register online. Any participants under 18 must have a parent or guardian signature. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** 

For Check-in Team Captains bring:

- Offline donations (cash/check/etc.)
- Paper waivers for team members that did not register online

All team member substitutions are made at check-in. No more than 15 team members on your roster. You will also report if you would like to add a SOKY Athlete to your roster as your 16<sup>th</sup> team member.

At Check-in Team Captains will receive:

- T-shirts for team members (up to 15)\*
- Wristbands for each team member

Wristbands are required to participate and are only issued for those with online registration/signed paper waiver. Wristbands must be worn at all times; it allows access to the restricted area of the event.

\*Our goals is to recognize your support and provide a keepsake. Shirts and sizes cannot be guaranteed to participants.

\*The supply chains in place require final orders approximately one-month in advance of the event. To conserve funds raised to support Special Olympics Kentucky athletes, we order shirts and sized based on projected attendance at that time. We are grateful for all participants. For a nonprofit, it is advisable to be conservative and avoid excess inventory of shirts following the event.

## **Overview** Important Rules and Information

**1.** Team members must have a signed waiver on file to receive the required event wristband. *Waivers are completed when you register at www.PaducahTruckPull.com.* 

**2.** At Check-in Captains will confirm the team roster and report if your team would like a SOKY athlete to be the 16<sup>th</sup> team member. Teams may pull with fewer than 15 pullers, but not more.

**3.** Co-ed Teams must have at least 6 women. A Co-ed team may pull with less than 6 women; however, you will compete in the Men's Division.

**4.** Each team will have 2 Pulls, and we will use the best time for scoring. **If your team raises \$2,000 or more, you will receive a third pull!** 

**5.** No member substitutions may be made after the first pull. You may reorganize your line-up on the rope between pulls.

**6.** Pullers begin after the official Starter says "1-2-3 PULL". An airhorn blast starts the official time.

**7.** After the truck has been pulled 12 feet, the line judge will blow the horn to stop the clock and notify your team to stop.

**8.** Personal Gloves are **required**. Gloves will not be supplied. Leather, work, or gardening gloves are preferred. Latex gloves are not allowed.

**9.** No weight belts that fasten to the rope are allowed. Regular weight belts that support your lower back are fine.

**10**. Closed-toed shoes **only**. No bare feet. (Flip flops are not allowed).

**11.** Opening Ceremonies are planned for 3:00pm, with the honorary first pull immediately following.

**12.** Please have your entire team onsite 1 hour before your Pull Time.

#### 13. Pull Schedule and times will be emailed on Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup>.

**14.** Teams that miss their scheduled time will move to the end of the competition.

**15.** This event is Rain or Shine.

## Website Navigation Quick Links



Get ready for a seriously fun challenge! 🦾 💷 Teams of 15 will join the race to raise or donate at least \$1,000 to compete! The challenge? Pulling an 80,000-pound UPS 18-wheeler a whole 12 feet – and the fastest team wins! 😤 💧

## Website Navigation Register

START A TEAM become a team captain	JOIN A TEAM become heroes together	DONATE and make a difference	LEARN MOI about the Pull
1 Get Started 2 Select Options Join or Form a Team RETURNING USERS, I	3 Provide Agree to Terms 5	Review 6 Make Payment	
Note: To reactivate your team from la * Team Name: 2021 Team Name Teammate Recruitment Goal: 20 Team Fundraising Goal:		Previous users can login to create your 2025 team—this is the only way to ensure you reclaim your team's name! Even if you would like a new	

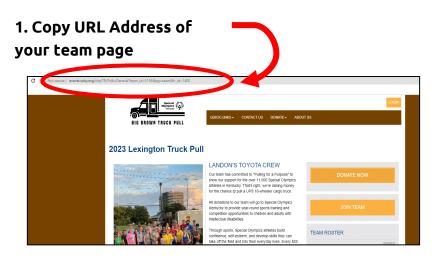
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Please contact Mallory at mjent@soky.org for help recovering your username or password.	]₊	New User	Participant of	* User I * Passv	vord:	
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## Website Navigation Welcome to your Team Page



## How to Link Your Team Page in an Email

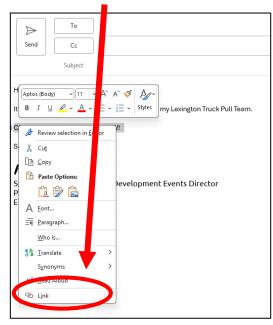
When sending out emails to friends, family, and coworkers to join your team, you can link the URL address to a "Donate or Join Now, <u>Click Here</u>" phrase.



### 3. Highlight the "Click Here" phrase and right-click.

A drop-down menu will appear.

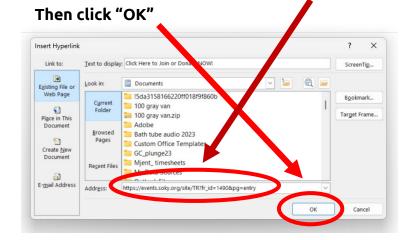
#### Click on "Link"



#### 2. Write your email with a "Click Here" phrase

Send     To					
Subject					
Hey Buddy, It's that time of year again to join and donate to my Lexington Truck Pull Team.					
Click Here to Join or Donate NOW!					
See you on the ROPE!					

#### 4. Copy the URL Address in the "Address Line"



#### 5. Then your phrase should take you to the URL Address you copied in.



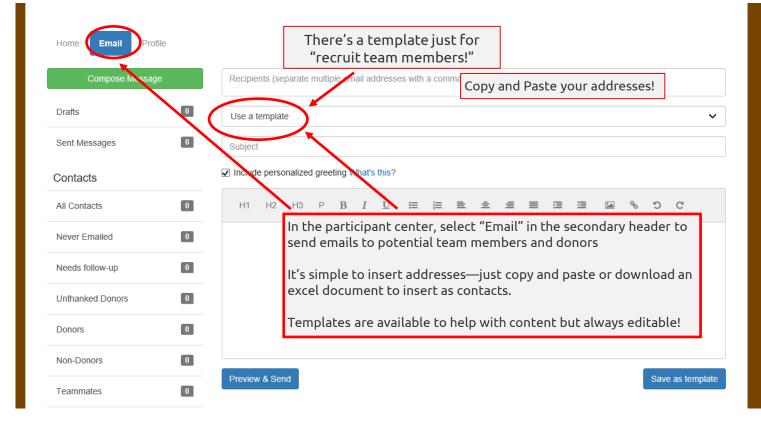
## Website Navigation Team Recruitment

#### Who can be on your team?

ANYONE! Coworkers, friends, family, clients, your CEO, customers, and vendors, anyone above the age 8. You do not have to work at the same company to be on a team, although co-workers make great teammates. Does your company or organization have a mascot? If so, invite them to join your team too!

—All team members should register online to avoid tracking down completed waivers.—

Use your Participant Center to recruit members to your team, solicit donations and thank your supporters



## Website Navigation Connect to Facebook



Email Profile

Welcome to your Participant Center. This page is where you will find the tools to set you on your way success at the Lexington Truck Pull.

#### What's should you do next?

1. Post to social media to let your followers know that you have accepted the challenge to Pull for a Purpose for Special Olympics. Make sure you include the link to your personal page, so they are sure to donate to your page.

2. Send an e-mail to friends and family asking for their support. Use one we have provided or write your own. If you send the email via your Participant Center, your Personal Page link will automatically be included.

3. If you are a captain or member of a team, invite your friends to join. The teams that raise the most money will be recognized with awards!

4. Check back often to monitor your progress and see who you may need to reach out to again to help you meet your Truck Pull goal!

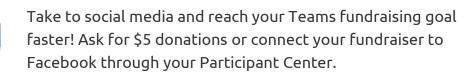
What to do next?	REACH YOUR GOAL FASTER				
Set up your Personal Page Customize your Personal Page with a story about why you are raising funds for this cause.	RAISE MONEY DIRECTLY ON FACEBOOK <ol> <li>Connect this fundraiser to Facebook.</li> </ol>				
Add Contacts to Your Address Book Add contacts to email from your personal Address Book on our site.	2 Invite friends, share updates and collect donations on Facebook.				
Send an Email You have sent no emails to your family or friends. Add them to your Address Book and email them about your fundraising effort.	3 Keep track of your progress. The money you raise on Facebook will count toward your goal.				
Thank your Donors     Thank your donors!					
Set a Goal You have reached 0% of your goal. Can you set a higher goal?	Recent Activity         You joined 20.2 Lexington Truck Pull presented by Detail Lex         Jun 09				
	Contricts All Contacts				

- Link your Participant Center to your Facebook to create your Facebook fundraiser! In your Participant Center, click connect and login your Facebook account.
- It's important to connect your Facebook fundraiser through your Participant Center to link the money you have raised to your Team's page on LexingtonTruckPull.com.
- Once created and linked, make sure to SHARE and INVITE your family and friends to your Facebook Fundraiser.
- For instructions: visit the "Puller Tools" at PaducahTruckPull.com

### Thank you

# Fundraising Tips

#### Share these tips and tricks with your team to help reach your fundraising goal!



Make it personal & share your story! When you create your personal fundraising page, you are able to share how long you have been a part of the Plane Pull, if you have a family member or know someone with an intellectual disability, or you just love the challenge.

Encourage your team members and remind them it is a team effort! Your team can easily meet the \$1,000 minimum if all 15 members each raise \$75.

Ask for \$5-\$10 donations from your friends, family, colleagues, and neighbors! Ask them to support you and your team as you #PullForAPurpose to support Special Olympics Kentucky!



Create a plan to help you stay on track! Life can get busy, and things can be forgotten. Take a few minutes to write down a timeline of when and how you want to reach out to people.

Say thank you! It is very important to thank your donors and everyone who was a part of your success in supporting Special Olympics Kentucky!





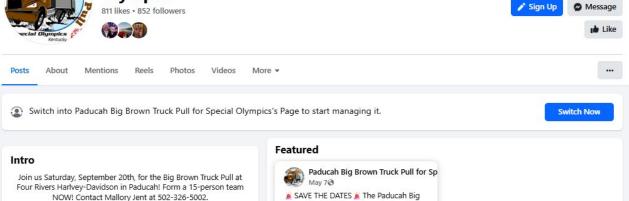
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Paducah Big Brown Truck Pull for Special Olympics



Brown Truck Pull is back on September 20th at Four Rivers Harley-Davidson ! 🚛 ..

NOW! Contact Mallory Jent at 502-326-5002.

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# 2024 Results

### **Fundraising Awards**

Top Fundraising Team: Dippin Dots | \$2,054 Top Fundraising SOKY Athlete: Benjamin Clark | \$259 Top Fundraiser: Lori Mack | \$895

### **Spirit Awards**

Best Team Spirit: Dippin Dots Best Team Costume: Da Blue Bombs Best T-Shirt: Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 184



### **Pull Awards**

**Men's Division:** Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 184 Men's | 5.45 seconds **Women's Division:** FRNP Women's Team | 9.02 seconds

**Co-ed Division:** Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 184 Co-ed | 6.25 seconds





## 2024 Sponsors



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