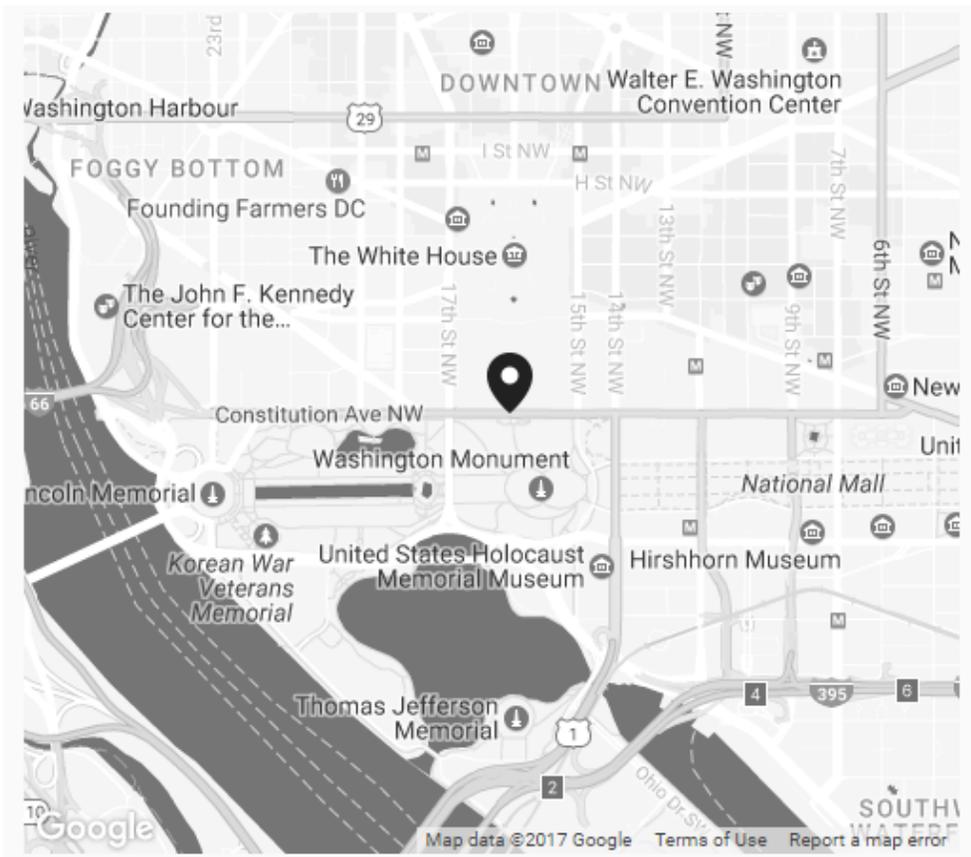


The March for Science in Washington, DC

April 22nd, 2017



Location: Washington D.C., North of Washington Monument, Constitution Avenue NW between 15th and 17th street (see map).

8:00 am: Grounds open.

9:00 am: Teach-ins start.

10:00 am: Main stage rally program begins.

2:00 pm: March begins! The march will form on the Washington Monument Grounds and proceed over the following route: starting at 15th and Constitution Avenue NW and proceed east on Constitution Avenue NW to 3rd Street NW, south on 3rd Street NW into Union Square where the group will disperse.

Details

In **Washington DC**, the March for Science will kick off at 9 AM with a teach-in and rally and end with a march through the streets of DC. Co-hosted with the Earth Day Network, the rally will be a call for politicians to implement science based policies, as well as a public celebration of science and the enormous public service it provides in our democracy, our economy, and our daily lives.

The rally will feature main stage speakers and several large teach-in tents around the Mall where scientists, educators, and leaders from a wide variety of disciplines will discuss their work, effective science communication strategies, and training in public advocacy. More details on speakers and presenters will be available soon.

Please register ahead of time to provide us with an estimated headcount for the event:
<http://marchforscience.com/RSVP>.

After You March

After you've rallied to celebrate your love of science, keep the excitement going in D.C at the official post-March dinner hosted by Taste of Science D.C. and the March for Science! Doors open at 5:30 PM, tickets are only required for dinner. No ticket required after 8:30 PM. Dinner tickets can be purchased here: <https://www.marchforscience.com/event-details/>

FAQ

(Note: This FAQ was downloaded from the March for Science website on April 14. For an updated version, visit <https://www.marchforscience.com/event-details/>.)

Q: When is the March for Science?

The March for Science Rally site opens at 8AM. Teach-ins begin at 9 AM. The Main stage program begins at 10 AM and will conclude at 2PM. The March will begin at 2PM.

Q: Where is the March for Science?

The Rally will be located on the north side of the Washington Monument, South of Constitution Avenue, NW between 15th and 17th Streets, NW, Washington, DC, with the stage facing the White House. The monument grounds are located between 15th and 17th streets and are easily accessible via public transport. More information is available here: <http://marchforscience.com/transport>

There are two access entrances to the site: (1) On 15th Street at Madison Drive between Constitution and Independence Avenues, NW; (2) At the corner of 17th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW.

The tents for the teach-ins are located on the 17th street side of the monument grounds.

The route for the march itself will be announced soon.

Q: How can I get to the March for Science?

For more information about transportation, please visit <http://marchforscience.com/transport>.

Q: Will the March for Science be accessible to people of all abilities?

The Washington DC March for Science and Earth Day Network have worked together to ensure that the March for Science is accessible for people of all abilities. Below is the current accessibility plan for the march, but please know that this is not a comprehensive list of how we're making the march accessible, safe, and welcoming for everyone. It is limited to the information we are able to provide pending the exact layout of the event. More information will be provided as available.

Accessibility drop off points will be at Madison Drive at 14th Street, NW, 15th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW, 17th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW.

The accessible seating area for persons with disabilities will be located near the stage and the mall's ADA accessible entrances. It will be an elevated platform approximately 3' off the ground. Accessible port-a-potties will also be available. The event layout will be finalized at the end of the month and we will be able to provide many more details at that point.

We have partnered with Metropolitan Washington Ear to provide free audio description during the rally to visually impaired marchers. Sign language interpreters will be present for all main stage speeches and the event will be closed captioned.

We are still working on the exact route of the march. When the map is complete, it will be available on our website and include clearly mark exit points for any individuals who cannot march the entire route and needs easy access to the metro and bus stops. We will also provide directions to locations nearby that will offer places to recharge power chairs.

Q: Do I need a ticket?

No, but we hope you will take the time to register at <http://marchforscience.com/RSVP>.

Q: What should I wear?

There is no "official" uniform or item of clothing for the March for Science. We encourage you to be creative! Dress as your favorite scientist. If you are a scientist, come in your work clothes -- a lab coat, goggles, a stethoscope, field gear -- scientists work in all settings and we shouldn't limit the march to any specific kind. Or just wear your comfortable "I'm ready to be politically active and send a message about the need for science in policy" outfit.

Q: What sign should I carry?

The March for Science celebrates science and its critical role in both society and policy. Do you have a special love for cell biology or physics? Maybe you want to proudly tell the world that vaccines have kept you healthy? Or thank the EPA for keeping your water safe? This could be the right time to declare your support for a well-funded NIH! This isn't about any one politician -- this is about science and policy, scientists and science supporters. We hope our signs reflect that! But please do not mount signs on wood or metal sticks or posts as they will not be allowed in.

Leading up to the march, we will be making posters available for download on our site. To submit posters, please send PDFs to art@marchforscience.com.

Q: Can I bring a banner?

Yes, banners and signs are welcome!

Q: Will there be security checks at the site?

Yes, all attendees entering the site will go through security at the access entrances. All bags will be checked at these entrances. Please allow extra time if you are carrying a bag. The following items are prohibited from being brought into the Rally: aerosols, alcoholic beverages, ammunition, balloons, explosives, firearms, knives, blades or other sharp objects (of any length), packages, structures, supports for signs & placards, weapons of any kind, and any other items that may pose a threat to the security of the event as determined by and at the discretion of the security screener.

Q: Will there be food and water available?

Yes, there will be vending carts on site.

Q: Will there be bathrooms available?

There will be regular and ADA accessible port-o-johns onsite.

Q: How can I get there by bus?

We've partnered with Skedaddle on transportation to the Marches for Science! Skedaddle is a transportation technology that makes it simple to start or join a van or bus route anywhere in North America. Start a route from your city, campus or town directly to the March, or join an existing route to ride with others. Routes require a minimum of 10 passengers, and you won't be charged until 48 hours prior to departure. Learn more at <https://www.letskedaddle.com/events?terms=&tdt=04/23/2017&fdt=04/20/2017&toloc=Washington,%20D.C.,%20DC,%20United%20States>.

Q: Where will my bus drop me off?

Buses will drop off at RFK Stadium. Marchers can access the rally via the Metro.

Q: How do I get to the march from my drop off point?

The Washington Monument grounds are easily accessible by public transportation (learn more at <https://www.wmata.com/schedules/maps/>). If you are going to be taking the metro into D.C., there are several stops within walking distance to the Washington Monument grounds. The Smithsonian Metro stop on the blue, orange, and silver lines is approximately 3 blocks from the 15th Street Entrance Access location for the Rally. Other Metro stops such as Federal Triangle (blue, orange, silver lines), the Archives and L'Enfant (green, yellow lines) are nearby as well. The closest stop on the red line is Metro Center.

Q: Can I get a Metrocard in advance?

Yes, and we highly recommend this. Lines to buy cards the day of may be long. Cards can be purchased in advance at the WMATA website at <https://smartrip.wmata.com/storefront>. Each card costs \$10 for an \$8 ride and every traveler will need their own card. We will be working with an organization to collect cards with remaining funds to distribute to people in need in the DC area.

Q: Can I drive to the march?

Please don't forget to consider any potential city traffic for this event and adjust your travel times accordingly. We recommend using public transportation and carpooling where possible. The last few stops of each metro line often have free parking available on weekends.