

Dear Defenders of The Alamo 13.1,

We are excited to have you all as a part of our 3rd Annual ALAMO 13.1. We're sure everyone is ready to Fight to the Finish and have a great time! Please read on for some important instructions to make your race weekend an enjoyable one:

### 1) **PACKET PICKUP / EXPO**

Friday, March 21st, 5-8:30pm (FIRM)

[REI](#) off I-10W (11745 Interstate Highway 10 #110, San Antonio, TX 78230)

Saturday, March 23rd, 10am-5pm (please don't show up early or you'll just have to stand around till we're ready)

[Menger Hotel](#) Lobby

On-Site Registration Available if slots still available... can't guarantee your shirt size (Cash or Credit Card)

Your bibs will be given to you at this time. The electronic chip is on the back of your bib so please be gentle ;-).

#### **\*\*VERY IMPORTANT BIB PLACEMENT!!\*\***

BIBs must be placed in the FRONT and visible. If you are wearing a jacket, it cannot cover your bib or our timer won't read you. Also, for tagging you in your pictures, our photographers need to be able to easily see your numbers.

### 2) **Race Day Parking** (downtown can be expensive to park so come early, look at a google map)

#### **Suggest Parking Spots:**

--ALL City metered spots are FREE on Sundays. Lots just North of The Alamo in and around the Express News Bldg.

City Garages at Houston & Navarro(\$10) OR Travis & Saint Mary's(\$8) are close, <http://www.sanantonio.gov/dtops/parking/parkingmap.aspx>.

--[Alamo Funeral Chapels](#) have been gracious enough to lend us their parking lot @ AVE. E & 6th St. (100+ spots). 1st come, 1st serve.

--Federal Bldg. / Federal Courthouse LOTS on E. Cesar Chavez & Indianola just off IH-37S & E. Cesar Chavez (300+ spots) Read the signs for fee or if these are free.

(4 blocks or 1/2 mile from The Alamo for your warm up / cool down)

### 3) **Port-o-Potties**

Portables (26 of them) on Crockett Street large sidewalk just Southwest of The Alamo across the street off Alamo Street. (Menger Hotel has famous nice indoor ones from our inaugural race as well ;-). Prolly need to have them put up a plaque in the race's name or something) If you do use these, please be courteous and leave it like you found it so we can keep being invited back :-)

On course Potties: Mile 1.5 (1st Aid Station)

Mile 4.3 / 11 (Aid Station just North of Pearl)

Mile 6.8 (Just past Relay hand off-Trinity U. pool)

**4) BAG DROP** - Please place your needed items in your Goodie bag or other and drop off at GAZEBO (yellow) just South of The Alamo and it will be watched. Be sure to number it with your Bib# and name. Thx!

**5) RELAY RUNNERS** - Relay Shuttle to Trinity U. Exchange Point is near fountain in middle of Crockett Street SOUTHEAST of the back of The Alamo in front of Morton's Steakhouse.

-1st Shuttle departs at 7:50AM just after START for 2nd Leg Runners (fluids will be at Trinity U. for y'all and bathrooms under their West side bleachers or at their pool will be open.

-1st Leg runners will be transported back to The Alamo, please come to the finishline to receive your cool Finisher's Medal :-)

**6) Spectator Spots & Course** - Houston Street & Alamo Street as runners come back around during Mile 1

- Hays Street Pedestrian Bridge

-Pearl gives you a great vantage point since runners come by on the street here and back by on the River Walk and it's cool there.

-Trinity U. (enter off HWY 281 and Mulberry West to Kings Crt. and park by their Soccer Stadium on Kings Crt. and walk North to see runners on campus and at Relay Exchange Point at Stevens Stadium

**COURSE:** It's a wonderfully scenic course but due to some MAJOR City Infrastructural projects that NEVER seem to end. So keep your head up sometimes and take in all the very best that San Antonio has to offer. We're from here and we love it here and think you will too.

\*\*\*WARNING\*\*\* There is small section just past the Hike & Bike Trail on AVENUE B that will be SINGLE TRACK RUNNING. The road is a mess. Thanks SAWS. Please use the sidewalk SINGLE FILE for this short section. Thank you for your understanding.

The other very small section of the trail takes you off road like last year is only about 40 yards so go easy so we can keep you safe. You'll have plenty of road to make up a few seconds. Thanks.

**7) Fluids ~ WATER & GATORADE** at ALL Aid Stations (please pack your own gels)

**8) Post Race Food & Drinks for RUNNERS ONLY** - thanks for your understanding (your food / beer tickets are on your snazzy Race Bib)

**9) NO DOGS ON COURSE!** We love dogs, but for safety of all runners and insurance we ask that you please keep them at home. We have known even the most well behaved dogs to get excitable in a crowded situation. Thanks for understanding.

**9) Weather** - of course we are praying for some spectacular weather for all of you. In the event that we might have a little rain, the race will go on unless we deem it too dangerous for our racers. Many a battles have been fought in the rain :-)

**10) Smile while on course cuz your race photos ARE FREE!!! ;-)** We'll let you know how to collect them within a few days of the race. We'll have 7 photographers capturing your race experience, so be happy and have fun!

**11) \$1301 cash giveaway!**

Last but not least, all Alamo 13.1 Half and Relay peeps will have a ticket for this money giveaway on your bib. We will collect them from you race morning. (More on logistics of this either in another email, or clarified at packet pick up.)

We'll see you all soon. Be safe and keep praying for awesome weather for your race day. We're ready to serve you all!

+Have a blast out there!

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