

BRIDGE 2 BRIDGE DANVILLE



Official Race Guide
April 11, 2026



Welcome to Danville—and Welcome to the 17th Annual Bridge2Bridge!

On behalf of the City of Danville, I'm truly glad you're here. Whether you're walking, running, cheering someone on, or joining us virtually, you are part of something bigger than just a race—you're part of a community that shows up for one another.

Bridge2Bridge is more than a race—it's a powerful reminder of what we can accomplish together. Since its inception, this event has raised over \$1,305,000 to support cancer patients right here in Danville and Pittsylvania County. That's not just a number—that's rides to treatment, needed medications, wigs, and support during some of life's toughest moments. Last year alone, over 1,000 people showed up, stepped up, and made an impact. That's powerful.

I want to thank the Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association, Visit SoSi, the Danville Running and Fitness Club, and Danville Parks & Recreation for continuing to lead this effort with heart and purpose.

As you take part in today's activities, I also invite you to experience all that Danville has to offer. From the scenic Riverwalk Trail and the historic charm of the River District to destinations like the Danville Science Center and Caesars Virginia, there is something here for everyone. And of course, you'll find no shortage of incredible local restaurants serving some of the finest cuisine in Southern Virginia.

Danville is on the move, and people across Virginia—and beyond—are taking notice. We are proud to be a city that didn't just weather change, but stepped up to shape it. We've been proud to earn All-America City honors in 1977, 2020, and again in 2024. And in 2025, our city team brought home 33 awards—a reflection of the hard work happening every day.

Today is about more than miles. It's about hope, resilience, and standing together. Every step you take supports someone who needs it. Thank you for being here, for supporting this important cause, and for making a difference.

Sincerely,

Alonzo Jones
Mayor, City of Danville



Welcome to Danville – Home of the 17th Annual Bridge2Bridge

Welcome to Danville and Pittsylvania County—a proud community on the cusp of substantial change and revitalization. Our region is rich in history, strong in spirit, and energized by the progress and opportunities unfolding around us. We are delighted to welcome you to our community for the Bridge2Bridge event.

As the leading advocate for business in our region, the Danville Pittsylvania Chamber of Commerce is proud to support events like Bridge2Bridge that not only bring our community together but also showcase the vitality of our local economy. Each hotel stay, restaurant visit, and stop at our unique shops supports the growth of small businesses and the transformation of our community into a thriving, dynamic place to live, work, and visit.

Events like Bridge2Bridge bring together runners, walkers, and wheelchair participants from across the country for an important cause while also highlighting the welcoming spirit that defines our community. While you are here, we encourage you to take full advantage of your visit. Explore our vibrant and growing downtown, enjoy our locally owned restaurants, discover unique shopping experiences, and meet the friendly residents who make our community so special.

If you have time to explore the outdoors, you will find that Danville is also a destination for recreation and adventure. Stroll along the scenic Riverwalk Trail, enjoy one of our beautiful parks, or challenge yourself on the miles of trails at Anglers Ridge. These spaces reflect our community's commitment to quality of life and are just a few of the reasons visitors continue to return.

Most importantly, thank you for being here and for supporting the mission of the Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association. Your participation in this event makes a meaningful difference for individuals and families in our community.

We wish you the very best on race day and hope your visit to Danville is memorable, enjoyable, and just the beginning of many trips back to our region.

Welcome to Danville—and good luck in the race!

Anne Moore Sparks
President & CEO
Danville Pittsylvania Chamber of Commerce





2026 OFFICIAL BRIDGE2BRIDGE DANVILLE RACE GUIDE!

If you are receiving this race guide, you have made the choice to join us for the 17th Annual Bridge2Bridge Race and in doing so, are supporting the efforts of the Danville Cancer Association. Fund raising from this event helps our friends and neighbors who are in need of financial assistance as they heroically fight to beat a diagnosis of cancer.

Our amazing and loyal volunteers, our participants and our sponsors have our deep gratitude as they are investing in the health and well being of people who they may never meet.

We are eternally grateful to each and every one of you!

A very special thank you to all of our generous sponsors and particularly the George and Sarah Buchanan Foundation, Riverside Roof Truss and of course our founder, Karen Johnston of Karens' Hallmark Shop!

The following information is meant to be a quick guide to answer the most common questions about race week/day.

PARKING - DAY OF RACE

We expect to have over 1500 people in attendance on Race Day and parking downtown will be limited. Please plan to carpool if possible, leave yourself ample time to find a spot and plan to arrive 45 minutes prior to your race start time.

Parking options will be on Depot St, Lynn St, Newton St, Craghead St, Wilson St, and Calhoun St. Newtons Landing and Wilson Street will be closed at 7:30 to ensure the safety of the participants whose race begins at 7:55. Parking will be available at Acree's Parking Garage (319 Craghead St), parking lot at Main Street below the fountain.

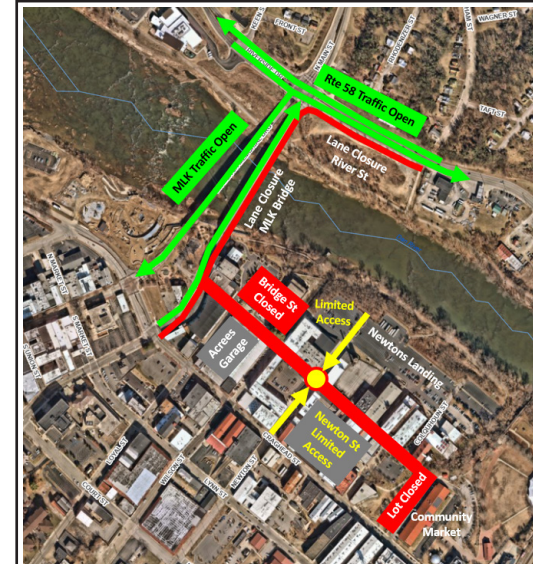


Image Highlights Acree's Parking Garage, Newton's Landing, and Community Market Parking Lot

Access will be limited after 7:30am on Race Day for Newton's Landing Parking Lot which can be accessed from the side streets on Bridge Street.

PACKET PICK UP

Community Market - 629 Craghead Street, Danville, VA

Hours for Packet Pick Up:

Friday, April 10, 2026 - 12pm-6pm

Saturday, April 11, 2026 - 7:30am-8:00am

Please plan to pick up your packet on Friday to avoid the rush race morning! Packet pick up time is very limited Saturday morning.

RACEDAY TIMELINE

- 7:35am - Welcome by Race Director, Karen Johnston
7:40am - Race Announcements from Lewis Dumont
7:45am - Wheelchair Participants for the Half Marathon Line Up
7:50am - Prayer
7:53am - John Wilt sings the National Anthem
7:55am - Wheelchair Half Marathon Participants Start
8:00am - Half Marathon Start
- 8:05am - Lewis Dumont Stretches with the Children for Kid's Fun Run
8:20am - Kid's Fun Run Participants Line Up
8:30am - Kid's Fun Run Starts
8:45am - Kids Return and Receive Finisher Medals
- 8:48am - Wheelchair Participants 10k Run, 5k Run, and 5k Walkers
Line Up
8:50am - Prayer
8:55am - Wheelchair Participants Start
9:00am - 10k Run, 5k Run, and 5k Walkers Start
10:15am - 5k Run, and 5k Walk Awards Ceremony
10:35am - 10k Run Awards Ceremony
10:50am - Half Marathon Awards Ceremony

GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

- Race bibs must be pinned to the front of your shirt and visible to the timers.
- Please continue walking through the finish chute and to the back of the Community Market where you will find water, cool towels provided by URW Federal Credit Union, and will be handed your finisher medals.
- Water stations are strategically placed along the trails.
- Due to the size of this event, we ask that you leave your furry friends at home.
- Porta-john's will be outside the Community Market near the rental bicycle stands.

If you have not registered yet, please do so before
8:00am, Saturday, April 11, 2026.
Use this QR Code or visit
www.bridge2bridgedanville.com



HOW YOUR PARTICIPATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Bridge2Bridge Danville participants help make it possible for Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association to walk alongside local individuals through every stage of their cancer journey.

A cancer diagnosis touches every part of life, including financial stability, emotional well being, daily routines, and the ability to simply get through the day. That is why Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association focuses on meeting real, immediate needs in practical and meaningful ways.

One of the most critical services participants support is transportation assistance. Through our mileage reimbursement program, clients are able to travel to and from treatment without the added burden of fuel costs. In 2025 alone, we reimbursed over 600,000 miles, ensuring that access to care is never out of reach simply because of distance or cost.

But support doesn't stop there.

Beyond the physical and financial, there is also the emotional weight of cancer. Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association offers encouragement, connection, and a consistent presence, reminding clients that they are not alone in this fight.

This is what makes Bridge2Bridge Danville so powerful.

Every registration, every step, every dollar raised directly fuels these services. Your support allows Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association to respond personally and compassionately to the needs of people within our community in their fight against cancer.

Participants aren't just showing up for a race, they are showing up for their neighbors. That's the true impact of Bridge2Bridge.



For More Information or to Get Involved:
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