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## Downtown Joliet prepares for the September 15, 2011 Race Fan Rally Event, Downtown Joliet

Joliet, IL - Downtown Joliet prepares for the Thursday September 15, 2011 Race Fan Rally Event. The free event will begin at 4PM and run until 10PM. In addition to the free entertainment, driver appearances and fun, the successful event has added a new feature the "Haulers Parade" beginning at 5PM.

In preparation for the event, the day of Race Fan Rally the Joliet Police Department will be shutting down Downtown area streets beginning at approximately 10AM with Chicago Street and then closing the feeder streets as needed. Closures in and around Chicago Street will be completed by or before 2PM.

Jefferson Street, Scott Street, Jackson Street, and Ottawa Street will remain open to traffic during the event, with the exception of during the "Haulers Parade".

The affected streets during the event are as follows:

- Chicago Street closed to thru traffic from Benton Street south to Jefferson Street (Starting at 10AM)
- Webster Street closed at Chicago Street (Limited access for the State of Illinois Building and First Midwest Bank customers)
- Cass Street closed to thru traffic from Scott Street to Ottawa Street by approximately 2PM (Detours will be posted)
- Clinton Street closed to thru traffic from Scott Street to Ottawa Street by approximately 2PM
- Van Buren Street closed from Scott Street to Chicago Street (Limited access for Harris bank customers)

The NASCAR Truck "Haulers Parade" will take place from 5-6PM on Thursday September 15. The parade route will consist of Jefferson Street traveling east to Scott Street turning north to Cass Street and then west to Ottawa Street, finally turning south to return to the Chicagoland Speedway. During the "Haulers Parade" all streets along the designated parade route will be blocked to traffic. Motorists should be advised to leave the downtown prior to 5PM or face being delayed until the parade is over.

For more information on the Race Fan Rally event in Downtown Joliet visit [www.racefanrally.com](http://www.racefanrally.com)

The City of Joliet is the fourth largest city in the state of Illinois, located just 45 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop. Home to over 147,000 residents, in addition to thriving businesses and attractions, the City of Joliet is easily accessible by rail, auto and bus transit. A perfect place to live, work and play, Joliet is constantly striving to promote growth and diversity. For more information on Joliet visit [www.visitjoliet.org](http://www.visitjoliet.org) or call 815.724.4000.

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