

# Driving Guide to Marathon Sunday - May 6, 2018

**Start:** ● Liberty Ave between Smithfield St and 10th St  
Wheelchairs @ 6:50 a.m.  
Runners @ 7:05 a.m.

**Finish:** ● Blvd of the Allies between Wood St and Stanwix St

- 3 12 25 Mile Markers
- RE Relay Exchange
- 💧 Fluid Station
- 🇺🇸 Aid Station

**Where to Watch:**

● Aim for the local business districts in tan or Relay Points.

**Marathon Course Road Closures**

Extent	Approximate Closure Times
Starting line back-up	1:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Liberty Ave - Strip District	5:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
North Side to West End Br	6:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
West End to South Side	6:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Fifth to Grant (½ Marathon)	6:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Oakland to Point Breeze	6:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Homewood to Bloomfield	6:15 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Downtown to FINISH	5:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Finish Line spillover	1:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Vets Bridge/Bigelow Blvd Connector**

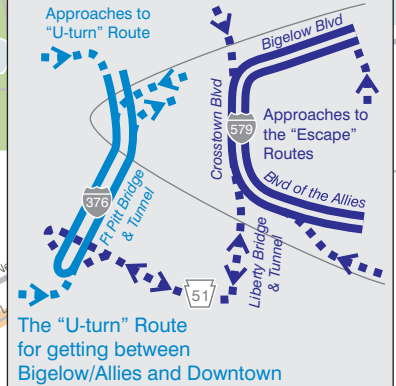
After crossing Vets Bridge, follow right lanes for Downtown/6th & 7th Aves. Then take the left exit for Consol Center/6th Ave.

Bear left at the blue "Vets Bridge/Bigelow Connector" sign (following the overhead green sign for Consol Center) - yes, this same ramp also works to connect Bigelow back to Vets Bridge.

Stay left and go across the overpass toward the former Mellon Arena site. At the signal at Washington Pl, bear left onto the ramp for Bigelow Blvd.



**The Bigelow Blvd/ Blvd of the Allies "Escape" Routes**



To access the inner North Side from Rte. 65, take the Beaver Ave exit, stay to the left to wrap under the highway onto Chateau St, then follow Columbus St, Manhattan St, and North Ave

Leaving Downtown on the Parkway East, Exit 74 is the first open exit.

**The I-376 "U-turn" Ramp to and from the Bigelow/Allies Route**

From the PA 51 North-bound ramp to I-376 West, stay to the left to take the ramp for U.S. 19 South/Banksville Rd. Quickly get to the left again to loop around back onto I-376 East to go through the Fort Pitt Tunnel into Downtown. The same ramp works coming from town to get onto PA 51 South to the Liberty Tunnel & Bridge.

**Escape from Downtown**

For more detail on how to navigate Downtown on Marathon Sunday, see the Downtown Escape map.

**Driving Directions**

**Downtown/North Side --> Interior East End**

- 1) Get to Fort Pitt Bridge outbound (access from Fort Duquesne Blvd/10th St Bypass in Downtown and Ridge Ave/Reedsdale St on the North Side)
- 2) After going through Fort Pitt Tunnel, take Exit 69A (U.S. 19 South/Banksville Rd) and use "U-Turn" ramp to loop back onto inbound I-376 (see box at left)
- 3) Follow directions below to connect to Bigelow Blvd and the interior of the East End

**Parkway West --> Interior East End**

- 1) From I-376, take Exit 69B to PA 51 South
- 2) Stay on 51 for about a mile to the right-hand ramp for "Downtown"
- 3) Keep left on the ramp to go through the Liberty Tunnel
- 4) From Liberty Bridge, follow I-579 to PA 380 East/Bigelow Blvd

**Interior East End --> Downtown/North Side**

- 1) Get on Bigelow Blvd heading inbound
- 2) In town, use left lane to, aim for the Liberty Bridge
- 3) Use right lane through Liberty Tunnel and make right immediately after exiting tunnel onto PA 51 North
- 4) After about a mile, take left-hand ramp for I-376 West
- 5) Use "U-Turn" ramp to go back through the Fort Pitt Tunnel (see box at left)
- 6) For Downtown, aim for Exit 70B/Ft. Duquesne Blvd

**Exterior East End --> Downtown**

- 1) Get to Blvd of the Allies, via Schenley Park or I-376 Westbound Exit 72B
- 2) From left lane on Allies, aim for Liberty Bridge
- 3) Follow from #3 above for Rte. 51/U-Turn Ramp/Ft. Pitt Tunnel directions