



Face of America

Cycling with Injured Veterans
Classic Route: Washington to Gettysburg
Northern Route: Valley Forge to Gettysburg
April 28-30, 2017



Our **2017 Face of America** honors and assists our military – injured, veterans and active duty – and the true American Spirit. **Face of America** is **World T.E.A.M. Sports'** classic Mid-Atlantic two-day bicycle and hand cycle ride by disabled and able-bodied athletes, ending in historic Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Riders select either our 110 mile ride beginning in Washington, D.C. or our 120 mile ride beginning in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

This inspiring event welcomes disabled and able-bodied servicemen and women as teammates in a challenging outdoor sporting event. Through participation, athletes show how much America appreciates the efforts and sacrifices of our military veterans. 2017 is the 15th anniversary of Face of America, having first run in 2000 as a cross-country ride with teams meeting in St. Louis. Funds raised through sponsorship and participant peer-to-peer support will pay for participating injured veterans' transportation, hotels, food and support, as well as managing a safe and enjoyable ride experience for all participants. Remaining funds following the ride's conclusion will be applied to upcoming **World T.E.A.M. Sports** events for disabled athletes, such as our Adventure Team Challenge events in Colorado and New York, our Coastal Team Challenge in New York, and our CanAm Veterans' Challenge, our Washington D.C. to Ottawa, Ontario bicycle ride with injured veterans.

Our **2017 Face of America** begins with simultaneous kick-off banquets on Friday, April 28 in Arlington and in Valley Forge. The following morning, more than 800 injured veterans and able-bodied riders will begin cycling through Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. Throughout their journey, local citizens will come out to offer encouragement and support. Along each route, there will be rest stops at local firehouses, schools and community centers. After spending Saturday evening in Frederick and in Lancaster, participants will ride Sunday morning along picturesque country roads, with both routes joining together in downtown Gettysburg. Together, they will complete the Face of America mid-day with an inspiring arrival and gala luncheon at Gettysburg's AllStar Expo Complex. Like all **World T.E.A.M. Sports** events, the 2017 Face of America provides exceptional opportunities for disabled and able-bodied persons seeking greater personal challenges and continued fellowship and support.

2017 Schedule

(Dates and times are tentative and subject to change)

Friday, April 28

12 noon. Registration opens in Arlington and Valley Forge.

6:30 p.m. Gala annual dinner in Arlington and Valley Forge.

Saturday, April 29

7 a.m. Ride begins in Arlington and Valley Forge. Overnight in Frederick, Maryland and in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Sunday, April 30

7 a.m. Ride begins in Frederick and in Lancaster and travels to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

1 p.m. Gala celebration at the AllStar Expo Complex, Gettysburg.

Participation Fees and Fundraising Goals

Civilian Riders:	\$100 + \$800 fundraising
Retired Military Riders:	\$100 + \$500 fundraising
Active Duty Military Riders:	\$100 + \$500 fundraising
Injured Veteran Riders:	No Fees

Entry fee and fundraising is applied to the following:

- Operating a safe ride on two routes through cities and towns, country roads and byways in Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.
- Providing participation funding for injured service men and women from across the United States.
- Helping support future **World T.E.A.M. Sports** events which include teams of disabled and able-bodied participants coming together to demonstrate what is possible when we work together. **World T.E.A.M. Sports** is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization headquartered in Holbrook, NY. Support comes primarily from individual and corporate donations and sponsorships.

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