



Historic Greer 6/10K Walk Y2530©2020

The UpState PathFinders Volkssport Club of Greenville, SC., is the only South Carolina member of America’s Walking Club. This is a permanent Year-Round Event (YRE) and we thank you for taking interest in one of our walks. This event is rated 1A and the start/finish is at the far end of the rear parking lot facing the Greer City Hall building.

Walk Registration

Registration takes place online using that AVA Online Start Box, on my.ava.org. You must have an account. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time).

1. **For AVA Book Participants: Register as credit.** The bank deducts \$4 (\$2 for AVA when directions downloaded and \$2 for the local club when you complete the Finish Tab).
2. **No IVV/AVA record books: Register as NC (No Credit).** The bank deducts \$2 for AVA directions when downloaded; the club does not receive any fee regardless if the NC participants chooses to use or not use the Finish Tab. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

Walk Completion and Walk Credit for AVA Book Participants

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account, click on the “My Start Box” tab, and then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped “virtual” insert cards that you may choose to print out from the Insert Card tab.

Walk Completion for non-AVA Book Participants

Once you have physically completed the walk you are finished. Optionally, and appreciated, you may login to your Online Start Box account, click on the “My Start Box” tab, and then click on “Go to Finish Table” and donate to the club by selecting the Finish Table and use the Optional Non-IVV Participation Fee.

Use the following table to guide what portion of this document you may wish to print out Please go to page 7 for links and more details on our walks. Find us on [Upstate Pathfinders Meet Up](#) to join us on one of our bimonthly walks.

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History of Greer

Greer is a quintessential sleepy, southern town established in 1873 with refurbished mill housing and older stately homes. A beautiful city park with musical interactive fountains is along the route as well. A Veterans Park with an old tank and helicopter on display. Plenty of places to eat and many places listed on the National Registry of Historical places.

Greer is also the site of the largest BMW manufacturing facility in North America. BMW's Greer plant employs about 11,000 people, producing 450,000 cars annually; this attracted dozens of suppliers into South Carolina, providing jobs for more than 12,000 people. Greer is home to the South Carolina Inland Port, an intermodal facility that receives and sends containers by rail to the Port of Charleston. Courtesy Wikimedia and Google.



Greer is full of history. Long before there was a Greer, South Carolina, the Cherokee Indians hunted and early settlers began to farm along the abundant rivers and creeks of the area. When the Indian Boundary Line was drawn in 1761 from the blockhouse in Tryon, North Carolina, south toward Greer, the Spartanburg County side of the line was deeded to the South Carolina Province. The closest blockhouse to Greer was Thompson's Fort, which offered safety and trading. In 1777 the Cherokees made treaties to cede the rest of the land to South Carolina. Today, Line Street commemorates this early history and serves as a county line.

The site of Greer was called the old Blakely Place, a 200-acre farm owned by James Manning Greer. The Blakely farmhouse was the first known house in the history of Greer and sat behind the Greer Drug Company in the vicinity of Victoria Street. According to tradition, Greer

traded a few acres to the railroad in exchange for a wagon and a team of mules. He then sold the rest of his land to W.T. Shumate, who began selling lots when he realized the potential for a town around the train station. A lot in the planned business district sold for anywhere between \$25 and \$75 per acre.

Since the first post office was in the station, the postmark read "Greer's Depot." On March 25, 1876, with 15 votes the town was incorporated as "Greers." The "s" disappeared sometime in the early part of the century. Thus, Greer owed its creation to the Southern Railroad, which was finished in 1873. The first shipment was fertilizer from Greenville.

Courtesy of "Images of America: Greer" by Joada Hiatt and published by [Arcadia Publishing](#)

Driving Directions

Start walk at Greer City Hall, 301 E Poinsett St, Greer, SC 29651, parking lot facing two entrance doors

FROM Asheville/ Charlotte:

1. Drive to I-85 South toward Atlanta/Spartanburg.
2. Take Exit 66 to merge onto US-29 S. toward Wellford/Lyman.
3. Turn left onto Arlington Rd. Topsy Taco on the right. Approx. 9 mi.
4. Continue on Arlington; it changes to N. Line St. 0.8 miles.
5. At pavilion on the right slow and turn right into City Hall parking; park to the right.

FROM Greenville:

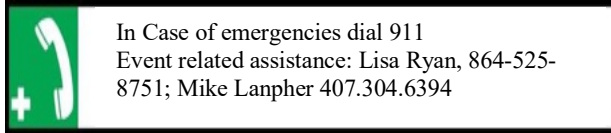
1. From I-385 use I-85 N. to Exit 56, SC-14.
2. Turn left on SC-14. Follow north to Greer.
3. Immediately after RR overpass, turn right on Randall St.
4. Cross Poinsett Hwy. into city hall and parking in the rear. Park to far right

Restrooms

City Hall when open
City Park near play area right of City Hall

Historic Greer 6K Walk

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6K Instructions

Note: Face the two doors of City Hall's building from the parking lot.

1. **Right** at sidewalk, continue towards playground.
2. **Left** at Y uphill
3. **Left** at split towards/through arbors of city hall building
4. **Right** at traffic circle towards the water feature in center of amphitheater
5. **Left** at center water feature.
6. **Exit** Park.
7. **Left** at E. Poinsett St.
8. **Right** at traffic light/S. Line St.
9. **Left** crossing S. Line St. and **right** continuing on S. Line St.
10. **Left** at 16th St.
11. **Right** at entrance to Veteran's Park.
12. **Right** at split towards helicopter.
13. Follow path past the Mortar Carrier.

14. **Left** at 2nd sidewalk to monument. Continue to monument then exit park where you entered.
15. **Left** at street/16th St.
16. **Right** at S. Line St.
17. **Left** at 12th St. using the crosswalk.
18. **Left** on S. Line St for 2 blocks
19. **Right** on Marchant St. at Laurenda Family Restaurant.
20. **Right** at Trade St.
21. **Right** at Randall St.
22. **Left** at Depot St. next left.
23. **Left** at Poinsett St. next left.
24. **Left** immediately at Victoria St. on red brick sidewalk. Marcia's Salon on right.
25. **Left** at Trade St.
26. **Right** at Randall St.
27. **Left** at S. Main St. Cross RR overpass.
28. **Left** at Cannon Ave.
29. **Left** at Lindall St. next left. Street sign is in the tree.
30. **Left** at Moore St.
31. **Right** at Able St.
32. **Left** at Anderson St. immediately. Pass Connecticut Ave.
Info: 6K Split, 10K Walkers continue
33. **Half Right** at Stewart St.
34. **Right** at Duke St.
35. **Right** at Pennsylvania Ave.
36. **Left** at S. Main St.
37. **Right** after crossing Poinsett St.
38. **Left** at City Park entrance.
39. **Right** at split.
40. **Right** at split/restrooms.
41. **Right** at next split.
42. **Right** down steps continue to the front of City Hall building – Start/Finish.

Thank you for your interest in our walk. Please contact us at lisa.lryan@gmail.com and tell us about our walk or to find out information on any of our other walks.

HISTORIC GREER 6K



Historic Greer

10K Walk

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In Case of emergencies dial 911
Event related assistance: Lisa Ryan, 864-525-8751; Mike Lanpher 407.304.6394

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10K Instructions

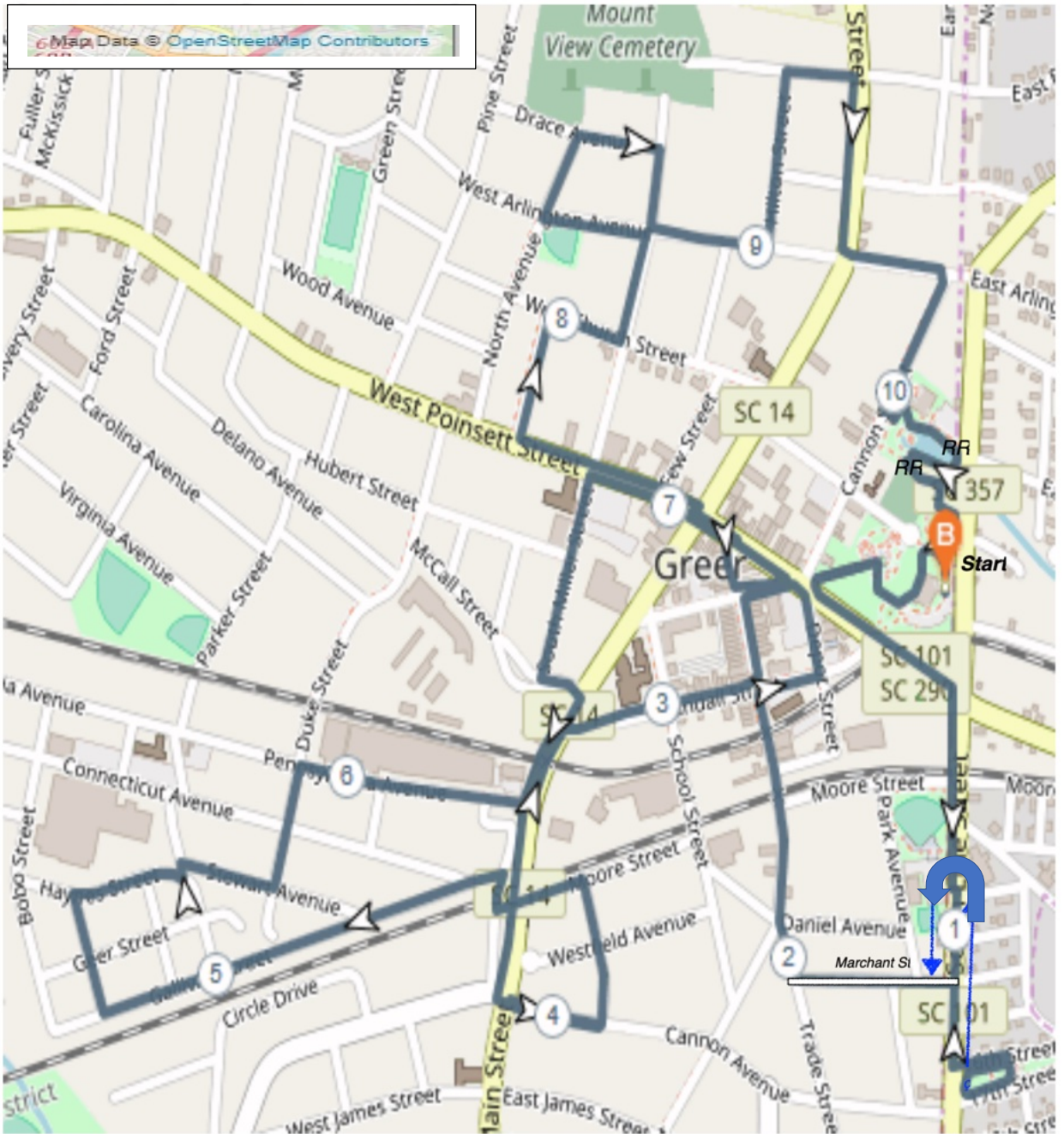
Note: Face the two doors of City Hall's building from the parking lot.

1. **Right** at sidewalk, continue towards playground.
2. **Left** at Y uphill
3. **Left** at split towards/through arbors of city hall building
4. **Right** at traffic circle towards the water feature in center of amphitheater
5. **Left** at center water feature.
6. **Exit** Park.
7. **Left** at E. Poinsett St.
8. **Right** at traffic light/S. Line St.
9. **Left** crossing S. Line St. and **right** continuing on S. Line St.
10. **Left** at 16th St.
11. **Right** at entrance to Veteran's Park.
12. **Right** at split towards helicopter.
13. Follow path past the Mortar Carrier.
14. **Left** at 2nd sidewalk to monument. Continue to monument then exit park where you entered.
15. **Left** at street/16th St.
16. **Right** at S. Line St.
17. **Left** at 12th St. using the crosswalk.
18. **Left** on S. Line St for 2 blocks
19. **Right** on Marchant St. at Laurenda Family Restaurant.
20. **Right** at Trade St.
21. **Right** at Randall St.
22. **Left** at Depot St. next left.
23. **Left** at Poinsett St. next left.
24. **Left** immediately at Victoria St. on red brick sidewalk. Marcia's Salon on right.

25. **Left** at Trade St.
26. **Right** at Randall St.
27. **Left** at S. Main St. Cross RR overpass.
28. **Left** at Cannon Ave.
29. **Left** at Lindall St. next left. Street sign is in tree.
30. **Left** at Moore St.
31. **Right** at Able St.
32. **Left** at Anderson St. immediately. Pass Connecticut Ave.
33. Continue along Anderson St., which changes to Gallivan St.
34. Right at Thompson St.
35. Right at Haynes St.
36. Left at Parker St.
37. Right at Stewart Ave.
38. Left at Duke St.
39. Right at Pennsylvania Ave.
40. Left at S. Main St.
41. Left after crossing McCall St.
42. Right at S. Miller St.
43. Right at E. Poinsett St.
44. Right at Trade St.
45. Left at Victoria St.
46. Left at Poinsett St.
47. Right after crossing Main St.
48. Left after crossing Poinsett St.
49. Right at Davenport Ave.
50. Right at W. Church St.
51. Left at Miller St. next right.
52. Left at W. Arlington St. No sign, next left.
53. Right at North Ave.
54. Right at Drace Ave.
55. Right at Miller St.
56. Left at W. Arlington St.
57. Left at Hilton St.
58. Right at W. Bearden St.
59. Right at N. Main St.
60. Left at E. Arlington St.
61. Right at Cannon St. across from Bethel Church.
62. Left down steps towards pond.
63. Left at bottom of steps.
64. Right at 1st split.
65. Left at pond. Continue 3/4 clockwise around pond.
66. Left up steps.
67. Left at top of steps.
68. Right at split/picnic pavilion.
69. Left at circle, exit opposite side. Continue to the parking lot, city hall building.

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HISTORIC GREER 10K



Greer Special Programs

Special Programs	Location
Walking With the Wild Things	Find as you Walk
Step to the Beat	Greer City Park, Amphitheater
Walking With America's Veterans	Victor Veteran's Memorial Park, Corner of 16 th and Line Ave
Par for the Course	Greer City Park
Walking the USA A – Z	G - Greer

Upstate Pathfinders Year-Round Events

Historic Greenville - 5/10K YRE https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2062	Historic Anderson - 5/10K YRE (OSB) https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2919
Greenville City Parks - 5/10k YRE https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y0232	Clemson Botanical Garden - 5/10K YRE (OSB) https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2067
Greenville-Alta Vista - 5/10K YRE https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2529	Historic Greer - 6/10K YRE (OSB) https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2530
Greenville's Conestee Nature Preserve - 5/10K YRE (OSB) https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2342	Historic Simpsonville - 5/10K YRE OSB https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y2920
Greenville's Furman University - 5/10k YRE https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y0688	Greenville/Travelers Rest Swamp Rabbit Trail 5K-50K YRE (OSB) https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=2531
Travelers Rest - 5/10K YRE https://my.ava.org/event-view.php?y=Y0578	AMERICA'S WALKING CLUB has 2000 permanent walks annually with over 1100 on line to walk for very reasonable fees, \$2 (online) or \$4 (permanent sites).
<i>Thank you for your interest in our walk. For more information about other UpState PathFinders walks, select an event above. For walks in other parts of SC or the USA, go to https://my.ava.org/find-an-event.php</i>	