

04/05/2025: 5K/10K WALK (Event ID SC/129194) IVV Credit Only
Ponca City , OK (Kay County)

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM, finish by 1:30 PM

Startpoint: **Pioneer Park Shelter - 520 E Hazel Avenue, Ponca City, OK**
Directions: From Tulsa: take Highway 412 West toward Sand Springs, continue on 412 as it becomes the Cimarron Turnpike (tolls apply). Exit at US-177 N for 20.6 miles. Continue onto US-60 Bus/US-77 N. Turn Left onto Grand Avenue. Then turn Right onto N. 7th Street and turn Left onto E. Hazel Avenue and turn Right into the Park. The Parks & Recreation Department requests that we park on the road in the middle of Pioneer Park by the shelter.

Walk is rated 1A. Walk is on city sidewalks. Medium difficulty for strollers or wheelchairs. Pets on leashes welcome. Restroom and water available at the startpoint. Special Programs: **Grain Elevators; Par-for-the-Course; Step to the Beat; Town Halls/City Halls; Walking with America's Veterans; "P" in A to Z program.**

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Arkansas City, KS (Cowley County, Kansas)

11:00 PM to 2:00 PM; finish by 3:30 PM

Startpoint: **Steamy Joe Café – 216 West Central, Arkansas City, KS**
Directions: From the first walk at Ponca City, drive North on US 77 for approx.. 27 miles. Continue North on Summit Street (US 77) to the intersection with US 166. From this intersection, continue North on Summit for 5 more blocks to Central Avenue. Turn Left on Central and go approx.. 1.5 blocks. The Cafe, located in a 2-story brick house, will be on the right side, mid-block. Please park across the street from Steamy Joe in the angled parking. Pets on leashes welcome.

Wheelchairs and strollers will find certain areas very difficult. Restroom and water available at startpoint. Please consider patronizing Steamy Joe in appreciation of hosting this Startpoint. Special Programs: **Grain Elevators; Par-for-the-Course; Step to the Beat; Town Halls/City Halls; Walking with America's Veterans; "A" in A to Z program.**

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PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Ponca City is in Kay County and was named after the Ponca tribe. Ponca City's history and economy has been shaped by the petroleum industry. E. W. Marland, a Pennsylvania oil man, came to Oklahoma and founded the Marland Oil Company. On this walk you will walk by a Vietnam Veteran's Memorial. You will see the Pioneer Woman Statue and Museum, a Grain Elevator and one of the most beautiful City Halls in the United States. It was designed by Solomon Andrew Layton (architect of the Oklahoma State Capital Building). The walking route will lead you by their Fire Department, First Baptist Church - 1899, Police Station and a marker for the Ponca Indians - Chief White Eyes (1879 -1916) You will notice several beautifully painted fox statues around town to represent the

foxes E. W. Marland brought to Ponca City for his friends and business associates to fox hunt. The 10K walk goes by the Marland Mansion, also known as the Palace of the Prairie.

ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS

Arkansas City (also known as "Ark City"), situated on the confluence of the Arkansas and Walnut Rivers, sits on the site of the ancestral, Native American town of Etzanoa. This town had an estimated population of 20,000 inhabitants between 1450 & 1700. When the Mexican governor made an expedition into this area in 1601, he called these inhabitants "Rayados". Today, we know them as ancestors to the Wichita Indian Nation. Remains of this large settlement can be found today along Walnut River and south of present day Ark City, on the banks of the Arkansas River.

Arkansas City was founded by white settlers in 1870 and grew rapidly with the expansion of the AT&SF railroad. During the 1880s the downtown commercial district grew rapidly with the building of several brick-and-stone buildings on Summit Street which are still present today. The town continued to grow with the discovery of oil in Cowley County, & the building of a refinery. In the early years of the 20th century, flour mills were built and the meat packing industry grew. Strother Field, located between Ark City and Winfield, & jointly operated, was a training base during WWII. Near the beginning of the 21st century, the community suffered economic losses with the closing of Morrell Meats and Total Oil Refinery. Today, Arkansas City still remains an economic hub for government, finance, and specialty retail shops. The community leaders are presently taking on the challenge of reviving businesses along Summit Street and the renovation of the historic downtown buildings.

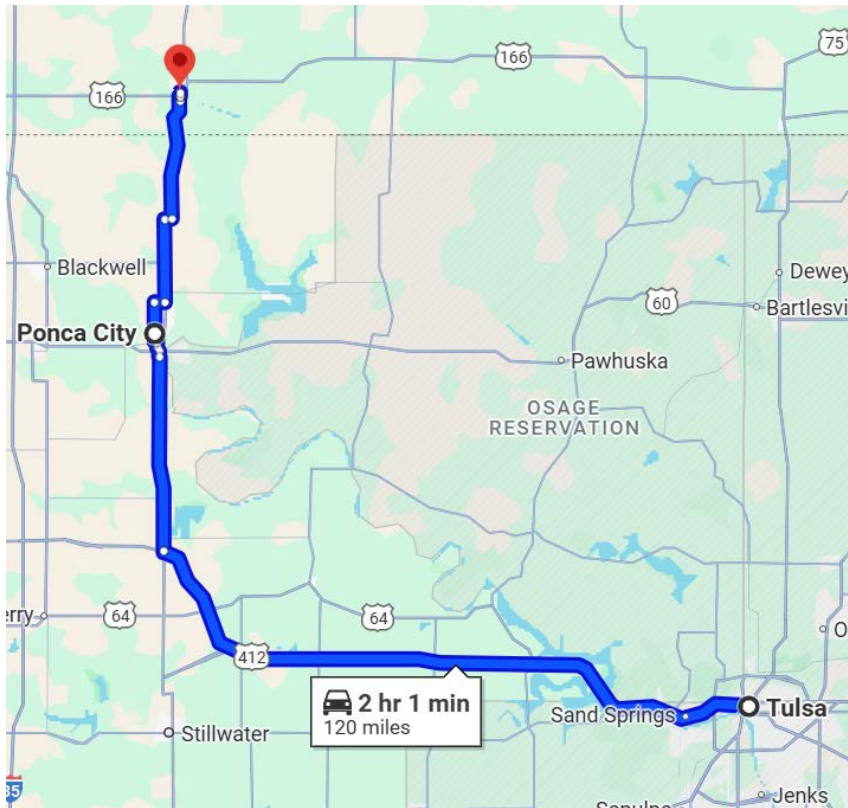


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April 5, 2025**



Tulsa to Ponca City - approximately 1 3/4 hours driving time;
Ponca City to Ark City, Kansas - approx. 1/2 hour

ELIGIBILITY: This event is open to the public and all are welcome to participate. This is an excellent activity for families. Children under age twelve must be accompanied by an adult.

PROCEDURE: All participants must obtain a start card at the registration (start/finish) point. Upon completing the walk, the walker surrenders the card and receives any award or IVV credit earned. Remember your IVV record books to record your credit. Record books are for sale at these events.

AWARDS AND FEES: "Credit only" is \$4.00.

DISCLAIMER: Sponsors of these events are not liable for accidents, thefts, and/or material damage. Every effort will be made to keep these events safe, enjoyable and memorable.



Ponca City City Hall

