



Frequently Asked Questions 28th Annual Oktoberfest



When and where is Oktoberfest?

Elder Care Services' 28th Annual Oktoberfest will be held on Sunday, October 11, 2026, at Parkview at Cascades and the AC Hotel Plaza Lawn, located at 414 E. Bloxham Street in Tallahassee.

General Admission begins at 3:00 p.m., and the event ends at 6:00 p.m. VIP guests receive early admission beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Where do I enter the event?

The event entrance will be located outside near the AC Hotel Plaza Lawn off Gaines Street. Look for Oktoberfest signage when you arrive.

What is included with a General Admission ticket?

- Unlimited beer, wine, and other non-alcoholic tastings from participating local businesses
- Hot pretzels and snacks
- Live music
- Lawn games and activities
- Access to the Oktoberfest festivities from 3:00–6:00 p.m.

What is included with a VIP ticket?

VIP guests receive everything included with General Admission, plus:

- Early admission at 2:00 p.m.
- An Oktoberfest-style meal served inside Parkview at Cascades
- A souvenir beer stein

Are discounted tickets available?

Yes! Discounted tickets are available for children and designated drivers. General Admission tickets are \$25, and VIP tickets are \$50. These tickets include the same event experiences and amenities as their respective ticket levels, excluding alcoholic beverages.

Will there be food at the event?

Yes! VIP admission includes a full Oktoberfest-style meal. General Admission guests will have access to hot pretzels and snacks throughout the event.

Do I have to drink alcohol to enjoy Oktoberfest?

Not at all! While Oktoberfest features locally brewed beer and wine, there's plenty to enjoy beyond the beverages including non-alcoholic drinks, food, music, games, and the opportunity to spend an afternoon with friends while supporting a great cause.





Where should I park?

Parking is available in nearby State of Florida parking garages off Gadsden, Madison, and Gaines Streets.

Is accessible parking available?

Guests who need accessible parking accommodations are encouraged to contact Nicole Ballas at (850) 245-5945 before the event to discuss the best parking option.

Is Oktoberfest held indoors or outdoors?

The main Oktoberfest festivities take place outdoors on the AC Hotel Plaza Lawn. The VIP meal and VIP experience also include access to the air-conditioned indoor Parkview at Cascades event space.

Can I bring my children?

Yes! Oktoberfest is a family-friendly event, and guests of all ages are welcome. In addition to great food and live music, there will be lawn games and activities to enjoy throughout the afternoon.

Can I bring my dog or other pets?

No. While we love our four-legged friends, pets are not permitted at Oktoberfest. Service animals are welcome in accordance with applicable requirements.

Can I buy tickets at the event?

Yes! VIP and General Admission (GA) tickets will be available for purchase at check-in.

Will I need to show ID?

Yes. Guests who plan to enjoy beer and wine tastings must present a valid photo ID at check-in. Guests age 21 and older will receive a wristband that allows them to participate in unlimited beer and wine tastings throughout the event.

Can I purchase a commemorative stein if I have a GA ticket?

Yes! Stein upgrades will be available for purchase at check-in for \$10/stein.

What does my ticket support?

Oktoberfest is Elder Care Services' premier annual fundraiser. Proceeds help provide critical services for seniors in our community, including nutrition for homebound seniors, companionship and social connection, personalized care for frail seniors, and emergency assistance for seniors facing crisis situations.

Who should I contact if I have another question?

For additional information about Oktoberfest, please contact Elder Care Services at (850) 921-5554.

