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PRESS RELEASE

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The 32nd Annual Over the River Run is POSTPONED ONE WEEK!!!

VICKSBURG, MS (October 7, 2020): Due to Hurricane Delta approaching the Vicksburg area this Saturday and for the safety of our participants, the Southern Cultural Heritage Foundation (SCHF) is postponing the **Over the River Run** until next **Saturday, October 17th at 8am**. The race begins at the Old Mississippi River Bridge located at I-20 and Washington Street. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but the safety of our participants is our main concern.

This unique run follows a scenic course heading west across the Mississippi River to Delta, Louisiana and then returns back to the finish line. We are so excited to be able to have this event in person which will include a 5-mile run and a 5-mile walk! If you are not ready for the in-person event, we have you covered! We are offering a virtual choice, as well. There will be three categories for virtual events, a 10K run, a 5K run, and a 5K walk.

Due to COVID-19, we will be limiting the number of participants allowed to register. The first 400 registered participants, in-person or virtual, will be guaranteed an awesome DryBlend OTRR Shirt. So, register early!! The entry fee is \$35 for the 5-mile race, in-person or virtual. Early registration is strongly encouraged to secure a place at the event. Entry forms and complete event details are available by visiting www.southernculture.org/events/otr.htm. Entry forms and fees can be dropped off at SCHF Business Office or mailed to SCHF, 1302 Adams Street, Vicksburg, MS 39180 or register online at www.RaceRoster.com. **Race packet pick-up will be October 16th at the SCHF Auditorium** (corner of Crawford and Cherry Streets) from **3:00- 6:00 pm** and also the morning of the race at the race site.

COVID-19 precautions will be put into place to protect our participants, volunteers, and spectators. We hope everyone appreciates these efforts and follows the guidelines to help protect the well-being of those who are gathering with us! We wish everyone the best and please stay safe!

For more information, please call the SCHF office at 601-631-2997 or email info@southernculture.org.

The Over the River Run is an extremely important fundraiser for the SCHF and a very special community event. After expenses, proceeds from the race will go toward the rehabilitation of the Southern Cultural Heritage Center and the many maintenance issues of the five historic buildings of the Center.

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The Southern Cultural Heritage Foundation, a non-profit organization, maintains the Southern Cultural Heritage Center in Vicksburg, Mississippi. The Center is a Mississippi Landmark property and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It is one of the most architecturally and historically significant city blocks in downtown Vicksburg, MS. The Foundation offers cultural, artistic and educational programs for the community and beyond.

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