



**THE ARMED FORCES
CYCLING CLASSIC**



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THALES CORPORATE CHALLENGE ENCOURAGES COMPANIES TO GET ACTIVE

Arlington, Va. – The Thales Corporate Challenge returns on Sunday, June 11th as part of the Armed Forces Cycling Classic’s Challenge Ride. This event, which will take place in Crystal City, Virginia, offers companies the opportunity to invite their cycling enthusiasts to participate in the ride and to get involved with fundraising efforts. This year, the participating teams will choose the beneficiary they will support with their fundraising.

“We are very proud to be the Corporate Challenge sponsor of this event in support of our brave military men and women, who like us, are committed to make the world a safer place,” said Alan Pellegrini, CEO of Thales USA.

Arlington Sports, Inc. has raised more than \$100,000 through its various fundraising efforts at the Armed Forces Cycling Classic. Last year, the organization was proud to raise more than \$25,000.

Companies will be recognized in three areas – fundraising, overall participation, and top participants. Teams who excel in each of these areas will be recognized at a special awards ceremony. There is a \$1,000 minimum team/corporation pledge to compete in addition to the registration fees.

Participating teams are also assigned a 10’ x 10’ Feed Zone “Chalet” in the Corporate Challenge team area, and teams are encouraged to invite family and friends to help in this area, resupplying riders with water and nutrition during the event. Riders have three hours to complete as many laps as they can on the closed, 10km circuit in and around the Pentagon in Crystal City, VA.

[Registration](#) for the Thales Corporate Challenge will close tonight. Please visit cyclingclassic.org for more information regarding participation, volunteering, event sponsors and more.

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Arlington Sports, Inc is a Washington, D.C.-based 501(c)3 non-profit, dedicated to the promotion and development of professional and amateur bike racing. For additional information on the Air Force Association Cycling Classic and other ASI events, please visit <http://www.arlingtonsports.org>.

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