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Americans United Flag Across America crosses SC

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October 19, 2001 - [The Americans United Flag Across America](#) run has passed through South Carolina and was in Georgia by Friday, but those who took part won't soon forget the significance.

The flag entered South Carolina early Thursday morning and, by mid-afternoon, runners were heading down US Highway One near Cassatt, a little town with big pride. Around 9:00 Thursday night, with police escorts and supporters lining the road, a couple dozen runners ran US One near Columbia Mall.

Runner Megan Fisher says all the running was to celebrate the American flag, "I love to run, and I think this is a great way to show the country's patriotism."

Some of the runners on the South Carolina leg of the national event hail from the Richland Northeast High School cross country team. Ginger Foley is the team's coach, "We had a meet on September 11th, and it was a real - really pulled us together, and this is another example of that."

The flag run continued Thursday to the South Carolina State House where representatives from Fort Jackson, the Columbia Police and Fire Departments and paramedics and airline pilots carried the flag up the steps of the Capitol where they said, "We thank Columbia. We thank South Carolina. And God bless the United States of America!"

With that said the runners took the flag and ran through Columbia's Congaree Vista, through Lexington, Batesburg and Aiken. As the group and their flag, our flag, crossed the Savannah River Bridge at about one Friday afternoon, the flag left South Carolina on its path through eight more states.

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