



CHILI CONTESTANT PARTICIPATION PACKAGE

February 23rd, 2019 • 12pm-4:00pm

Do **you** think you make the **BEST CHILI** in town? Or, are you looking for a great team building opportunity for you and your staff? Then, take a leap and participate in the Riverwalk Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, February 23rd. The goal of this event is to bring the community together for a friendly chili cook-off competition with professional, amateur and aspiring cooks, where the attendees are the judges. Chili lovers of all ages, Riverwalk supporters and passers-by will sample the different chili and vote on who they think makes the best chili. The afternoon will be complete with live entertainment, vendors and fun activities for all to enjoy while raising funds for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and other local non-profit organizations.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is engaged in promoting the Riverwalk District, its parks and the Downtown community as a place to live, work and play. Our events provide attendees and participants with an invaluable opportunity to mingle, network, and enjoy the best of Fort Lauderdale. Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has had sustained success due to our event participants. The funds raised at this event support Riverwalk in the pursuit to continue our mission “to be the catalyst in building and nurturing Riverwalk as a vibrant community connected by the New River.”

Please review the enclosed information. If you are interested in participating, please return the forms and payment to me no later than Friday, February 8th, 2019. You can contact me at (954) 468-1541 x 204 if you would like additional information or discuss sponsorship opportunities. Proceeds from the event will benefit Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and other local non-profit organizations.

Sincerely,

Maureen Potter

**Event Manager
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.**



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\$125 – Participant Fee Includes:

- *Team admission in the Riverwalk Chili Cook-Off*
- *One 10' x 15' booth space (**tent NOT included**)*
- *One (1) 8' table with plastic covering*
- *One (1) 6' table with plastic covering*
- *Access to electricity and water*
- *State-required hand washing station*
- *Logo or team listing placed on www.goriverwalk.com event page*
- *Event promotion in 4 weekly e-blasts (approx. 10,000 recipients)*
- *Event listing on multiple online calendars*
- *Event pages and promotions on several social media platforms*
- *Team listing in post-event Exclusives in Go Riverwalk magazine*

****All benefits subject to omission without timely response****



How the event works:

Riverwalk's Chili Cook-Off has attendees do the tasting and judging. Attendees will purchase tasting packs from the ticket booth. Each pack will come with a number of tickets and one 2 oz. sample cup and a spoon for each ticket. With these, the attendees can go around and sample chili from whichever teams they wish to. Each tasting pack will also include a voting ballot. When attendees come to each booth, they must present their chili ticket and sample cup to be filled. After they sample the chili, they can vote for the team that they thought had the BEST chili. **VOTING ENDS AT 3:15 pm SHARP**. The votes will be tallied and the team with the most votes will win the title of "**BEST Chili in Fort Lauderdale.**" The winning team will also receive a prize to go with their trophy.

Each team must make 5 gallons of chili for the event. Teams may also bring baked goods, snacks, a raffle prize, hot dogs, or multiple chili (separate from the 5 gallons for competition) to sell as a way to raise funds for their charity. No beverages are to be sold by teams. Teams may also have a donation box for their charity.

Each team will also decorate their booth with a **Sports Team theme** they have selected. A secret panel of judges will determine the winner of the "**BEST Decorated Booth**" award.



RULES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILI COOK-OFF

1. Submit a completed participation application with the \$125 participation fee and insurance.
2. Each team must work with a local non-profit organization. If you do not have a preferred organization, contact Riverwalk and we will put you in touch with some of the local organizations.
3. Each team will have a Head Chef who will be responsible for cooking no less than five (5) gallons to be served to attendees from 12 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.
4. Set up begins at 7 a.m. and must be completed by 8:00 a.m. for Health & Fire Inspections.
5. **Each team must have an up-to-date fire extinguisher at their booth.**
6. Prep may begin at 7 a.m. but no cooking may begin until your booth has been inspected.
7. All chili must be cooked on-site the day of the cook-off. Prep can be done before the event.
8. Each team must supply all ingredients, utensils, and accessories necessary. This includes cooking stoves and fuel.
9. Each team must supply any toppings or condiments needed for their chili. i.e.: hot sauce, cheese, onions, crackers, tortillas, etc.
10. Each team must have enough members to cook and serve chili throughout the duration of the event.
11. All cooking must be done in a sanitary manner. Conditions are subject to continuous inspection by Riverwalk Staff. Failure to comply is subject to disqualification of the team.
12. All contestants must keep their chili covered with a tight fitting lid when not serving.
13. Judging will end at 3:15 sharp and votes will be tallied.
14. The winner of the “**BEST CHILI in Fort Lauderdale**” award will be decided by the votes of the attendees. The chili with the most votes wins! This team will also receive a cash prize!
15. Keep in mind there will be an award given for the “**BEST Decorated Booth**”, which will be determined by a panel of secret judges. Your team is encouraged to dress up to match the décor of your booth.
16. Cook-Off participants are not permitted to serve or sell alcoholic beverages. There will be vendors at the event selling both non-alcoholic and alcoholic refreshments.



17. Whenever possible, each team should promote the event with the postcards and posters provided by Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, through business and personal social media and through any other approved means of marketing for the event.
18. Riverwalk staff reserves the right to remove any vendor who does not comply with the event rules, whose display is not in good taste, or is not consistent with the cook-off rules that were agreed upon. Refunds will not be made under such circumstances.
19. If your application is accepted, there will be absolutely no refunds for any reason. This event is a RAIN OR SHINE fundraising event.

Insurance Requirement: Two (2) copies of certificates of additional insurance for:
I-Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale & I-City of Fort Lauderdale by February 11th at 5:00.
Specifying:

General Liability value is \$1,000,000 each occurrence

1. \$100,000 damage to rented premises
2. \$1,000,000 personal injury
3. \$2,000,000 aggregate
4. Accord 25 is the correct form for additionally insured – Certificate of Liability Insurance.

Descriptions of Operations:

This Certificate holder is named as an additionally insured on the general liability policy but only with respect to liability claims arising out of the negligence of the named insured.

Certificate Holder: (#1)
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.
888 East Las Olas Blvd. Suite 210
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Certificate Holder (#2)
City of Fort Lauderdale
100 N. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301



Judging:

- Chili may be any type of chili- *chili con carne, chili with or without beans, white chili, vegetarian chili, green chili, alligator, etc...*
- The judging will be done by public tasting which will begin at 12:00 pm and end at 3:15 pm.
- Cook-Off attendees wishing to sample contestants' chili will purchase tasting packs which will include tasting tickets, sample cups, spoons and a ballot to vote for their favorite.
- Attendees can choose which chili they sample.
- Cook-Off contestants are required to be onsite during the public tasting and available to answer any questions attendees may have about their chili.
- Judging will end at 3:15pm sharp and votes will be tallied.
- All food service by chili teams will end at 3:20 (approximately) and the teams will be called to the stage for photos and to announce the winner(s).
- The winner of the **BEST Chili in Fort Lauderdale** award and cash prize will go to the team that received the most votes.
- An award will also be given to the team with the **BEST Decorated Booth**.

Signage/Decor:

Each team will select a theme to decorate their booth. The overall theme for this year's event is **SPORTS TEAMS**. Each team has the opportunity to display signage at their booth which can include their company, non-profit association or team name. Flags, banners, streamers, branded linens, party decorations and anything else can be used to decorate the teams' booth areas. *No offensive material* Competitors are encouraged to be creative and event dress up to match their theme if they would like.

Electricity:

Please advise if you need electricity and we will adjust the layout accordingly. It is your responsibility to bring outdoor extension cords and safely cover them. Generators are permitted and encouraged if available. If you plan to bring a generator, please be sure to indicate this on your application. Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale will not provide extension cords and will not be liable for any items left at the park.



Take Down:

Take down must be completed by 5:30 p.m. It is the responsibility of each competitor to properly remove and dispose of all food and trash from their booth at the end of the event. Please advise us if you need more time. Please dispose of your grease and/or food properly.

I have read, understand and agree to all of the above terms.

Signature

Print name

Date



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PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT
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Company or Team Name: _____

Head Chef: _____

Address: _____ City, State, ZIP: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Non-profit Organization you will be working with: _____

Equipment you will be bringing to cook with. How will you be cooking your chili:

Electrical Hookup Yes No (NO 220 AMP HOOK UPS)

Will you be bringing a generator Yes No

Would you like a 10'x10' tent to be supplied for you for an additional \$75?
 Yes No

PLEASE COMPLETE AND EMAIL TO MAUREEN@GORIVERWALK.COM OR FAX BACK TO (954) 468-1542 NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1ST. IF YOU HAVE A COMPANY OR TEAM LOGO, PLEASE SEND A HI-RESOLUTION COPY WITH YOUR APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION IN EVENT MARKETING.



CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

Team/Company name _____

Name on Credit Card _____

Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

CVV Code _____ Amount \$ _____

Signature _____

Email (for receipt) _____

Checks are to be made out and mailed to:

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