



CHILI COOKOFF ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Additional Team Members (up to two additional team members):

Entry Fees:

☐ Chili Division \$35.00

☐ Hot Dog Chili Division \$35.00

Entry Forms must be mailed to:



United Way of Harrison County, Inc.

PO Box 2452

Clarksburg WV 26302-2452

Phone: 304-624-6337 with any questions



CHILI COOKOFF RULES

1. Teams must file an Entry Form along with required fee before October 18, 2018.
2. Mandatory team meeting with cookoff officials will be at 9:15 a.m. to review rules. Cookoff will begin at 9:30 a.m.
3. Teams will be assigned their preparation area under the Jackson Square pavilion.
4. Each team is responsible for all cooking utensils, tables (6ft), chairs, cooking ingredients, set up and clean up.
5. Each team must supply all cooking equipment: propane camp stove, grills.
The use of propane is highly recommended.
6. Cookers will need to obtain a food handlers card from the Health Department. (\$15 and can be obtained on-line www.statefoodsafety.com or visiting your local health department)
7. **No chili can be pre-cooked or prepared prior to competition.** All food preparation including meat, cutting of vegetables, etc. must be done on site in a sanitary manner. Please keep chili tightly covered when not serving.
8. **Chili contestants should make at least three gallons of chili and hotdog chili contestants should make one gallon.**
9. Chili powder and other spices may be used, canned beans and tomatoes may be used as well, but complete commercial chili mixes are not permitted. Thickeners such as corn meal, masa or flour are allowed-so are canned tomatoes (but NOT home canned), chipotles and beans. **No canned chili is allowed.**
10. Each contestant will be assigned a number by the chief scorekeeper and given a Styrofoam cup with lid for their chili. An official of the cook-off will deliver the chili entries to the judges for taste testing.
11. Judges will announce the winners around 1:00 p.m.
12. Each team will donate its chili for consumption and sale that day. Each team is expected to dispense their chili to the public at noon. Bowls, tasting cups, People's Choice tickets, and hot dogs will be available for purchase

from United Way. Spoons and napkins will be provided by the United Way of Harrison County.

13. The public will select the People's Choice Award. The public will be given the opportunity to purchase tickets to give to their favorite chili and/or team. The team with the most tickets wins. It's up to you to entice them to try your chili and cast their vote for you. The more chili you have, the more votes you can get.

JUDGING CRITERIA – Competition chili is blind judged on the following criteria. Each criteria is assigned a value of 10 points. Top score would be 50 points (per judge)

- Aroma – Chili should smell appetizing
- Consistency – Chili should be a smooth combination of meat and sauce.
- Color – Chili should look appetizing.
- Taste – Heat and spices are taken into consideration.
- Aftertaste – Chili should leave a pleasant aftertaste.

Prizes include:

\$300 Prize for 1st place winner!

\$150 Prize for 2nd place winner!

\$50 Prize for 3rd place winner!

*****FYI - Contestants are encouraged to dress in festive garments for the event. We also encourage contestants to decorate their chili stations/tables/booth.*****