



Family & Children's Service 2010 Taste of Lynn

Anticipated Questions

What does participating in the Taste of Lynn entail?

You will agree to donate, prepare and bring the appropriate number of tastes of your signature dish, and at least one server to our event on Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at St. Michael's Hall, 25 Elmwood Avenue, Lynn. We will provide a fair estimate of the number of guests anticipated as the date approaches.

What time is the event?

The event begins at 5:30 pm; restaurants may begin to set up beginning at 4pm. Breakdown and clean up begins at 8 pm.

Is there a fee to participate?

No! We are most grateful for your generous contribution of food and time.

What type of food should I bring?

Something that shows what you do best, presents well, and is manageable by our guests. Feel free to contact Maureen Willis, Event Coordinator at mwillis@fcslynn.org or call her at 781-598-5517 ext. 227 to discuss your ideas or concerns.

How should my samples be presented?

Your samples should be presented to accommodate ease of serving; we encourage you to use small paper or plastic serving bowls, cups or wrappers. You should also plan to bring any utensils needed for consumption. We will be providing each guest with a butler tray and will have ample supply of napkins on hand.

What will be available to me at the event?

You will be assigned a station, consisting of two six-foot banquet tables; one for presentation, accessible to our guests; and one to serve as a holding/preparation area, removed from direct access. The presentation table will be covered and we will provide a sign with your restaurant name.

What will I be expected to provide?

You will be expected to bring the appropriate dishes and utensils for presentation and serving, including chafing apparatus and fuel. You will have access to kitchen facilities to wash dishes and utensils as needed. Volunteers will be available to help with unexpected needs throughout the evening.



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May I bring menus, business cards, coupons or other such items?

Absolutely! We encourage you to bring your marketing materials, and will be providing our guests with a special "to go" bag specifically for this purpose.

How will my participation in this event be publicized?

Your participation will be included in the event program, as well as in our pre and post-event press releases and mailings. We will also provide you with event flyers to distribute or post in your establishment upon request. Your restaurant will also be listed on the **Events** page on our agency website, www.fcslynn.org, and will include a link to your website if provided.

When do I need to commit?

The earlier, the better (and more publicity for you). We can only accommodate a limited number of restaurants in this venue, so don't miss your chance to be part of what is sure to be a highly-anticipated community event.

Return the enclosed commitment form today!

How does my donation help Family & Children's Service?

Your participation in our 3rd Annual Taste of Lynn will contribute greatly to its success, helping to raise funds and awareness in support of our mission to strengthen the life skills of families, children and individuals of all ages.

Is my donation tax-deductible?

Yes, in-kind donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Family & Children's Service is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Our Federal Tax Identification number is 04-2235959. Please let us know the fair market value of your donation so that we may include it in your post event donation acknowledgement letter.

Contact a qualified tax professional for more information.

Who do I contact for more information?

Contact Maureen Willis, Event Coordinator and Director of Development at Family & Children's Service at 781-598-5517 ext. 227 or via email at mwillis@fcslynn.org