



Chili Cook-Off - Participant Registration Information

Deadline to Register: October 20, 2025

Event Date: November 1, 2025 **Setup Time:** 10:00 a.m. **Tasting Begins:** 12:00 noon

Location: Tugaloo Bend Park, 2104 Yonah Dam Rd, Toccoa, GA

Contestants will be set up in the Pavilion building.

Please send your completed registration form and entry fee to the following address:

Stephens County Foundation P.O Box 23 Toccoa, Ga. 30577

Or Email: StephensCountyFoundation@gmail.com

Entry Fee: \$30 per team (payable by cash/check to Stephens County Foundation)

Payable online: www.StephensCountyFoundation.org/chili

Prizes:

People's Choice - Attendees will be given 1 vote ticket each for their purchased admission. Additional vote tickets will be for sale to attendees to spice up the competition - \$1 ea.

1st Place: \$150 cash prize + Ribbon

2nd Place: gift basket from a local business + Ribbon

3rd Place: custom cutting board + Ribbon

Special Recognition Award: Chef's Choice - Trophy

If you need more information, contact: Sue Murphy

☎ 706-886-8265 (land line – no texts) or **email:** StephensCountyFoundation@gmail.com

More information - Visit website: www.StephensCountyFoundation.org/chili



Participant Information

Return this form with the registration payment of \$30

Name (Individual or Team Name): _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address (optional): _____

Guidelines Acknowledgment

- Each participant must bring at least 1–2 gallons of fully cooked chili.
- Ingredients must be listed for allergen awareness (display card provided).
- Chili must be held at safe serving temperatures (160-170 degrees).
- Participants are responsible for their setup, decorations, and cleanup.
- Serving cups, napkins, and spoons will be provided (unless otherwise noted).
- Stephens County Foundation is not responsible for loss or damage to personal equipment.

☐ I agree to the guidelines above.

☐ I give permission to use photos of me or my booth for publicity.

☐ Yes ☐ No Will you need access to electricity?

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Chili Entry Details

Keep this form - Bring it to the event

Chili Name: _____

Team/Participant Name: _____



Ingredient List - no exact amounts needed

Please list all major ingredients. No need to reveal your secret spice mix!

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



Dietary Information (Check all that apply):

Type (check one):

☐ Traditional (meat-based) ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Vegan

☐ Gluten-Free ☐ Contains Dairy ☐ Contains Nuts

☐ Spicy 🌶️🌶️🌶️ ☐ Medium 🌶️🌶️ ☐ Mild 🌶️

☐ Contains Pork ☐ Contains Beef ☐ Contains Chicken

☐ Other Notes:



Official Rules & Guidelines

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PARTICIPANT RULES

<u>Item:</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Chili Must Be Pre-Cooked - Chili Type Is Up to You	All chili must be fully prepared and cooked before arriving at the event. No on-site cooking is allowed unless otherwise approved. Meat-based, vegetarian, spicy, or unique styles are welcome.
Entries must be homemade.	No prepackaged or restaurant chili allowed. No Store-Bought Chili
Bring at Least 1–2 Gallons	Enough chili must be provided for public tasting and judging (about 50–75 small servings).
Only one entry per registration	Multiple chili recipes can be entered by a team or individual. Each recipe will be entered individually.

SAFETY & SANITATION

Keep It Hot! (160-170 degrees desired)	Chili must be kept at safe temperatures (135°F or above) using warmers, crockpots, or burners.
Provide Ingredient List	You must provide a written ingredient list (not the full recipe) to help those with allergies or dietary restrictions.
Maintain a Clean Station	Keep your area tidy. Hand sanitizer, gloves, or hand wipes are encouraged.
No Alcohol or Open Flames	If using a portable stove or burner, follow park and fire safety rules.

JUDGING & VOTING

Guests will be voting for the Peoples Choice Award	Each chili will have a collection point for tickets given to the event attendees. Additional tickets are available for purchase at \$1 each. Awards for People's Choice will include 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd Places
Chef's Tasting Award	Our guest Chef will be awarding the best recipe on Visual, Aroma, Texture, Taste, Spice Level

GENERAL CONDUCT

Family-Friendly Environment	Please keep language, signage, and decor appropriate for all ages.
Setup and Cleanup Required	You're responsible for bringing gear, setting up, and cleaning up your area.
Have Fun and Be Friendly!	This is a community event—good vibes only!