

City of Lawton's Community Chili & Dessert Cookoff

All proceeds benefit the United Way of Southwest Oklahoma

GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES, GUIDELINES:

- NOVEMBER 9, 2024 | 10 A.M. – 1 P.M. | Lawton Farmer's Market
- Thirty contestants will be accepted to participate.
- Anybody in the community can enter by registering at <https://uwswok.harnessgiving.org/events/2248>
- **The deadline to register is October 25, 2024**
- There is a \$10 entry fee per item entered. All forms of payment are accepted & due upon arrival at contest on November 9 or online at the registration link above. **Contestants must arrive by 9 a.m. to get set up.**
- Prizes will be given to the Judge's Choice & People's Choice.
- Contestants should have a minimum of six quarts of chili. Any type of chili/dessert is welcome.
- All visitors must pay \$10 to enter the cookoff. Entry fee includes chili samples + bowl of chili & a drink while supplies last. Desserts will be sold separately for \$5 each.
- All ingredients must be pre-cooked & treated prior to the event. Chili is to be brought ready to eat. Contestants can supply their own condiments.
- Sample cups, napkins, spoons, & bowls will be provided by sponsors/event coordinators.
- Dessert serving sizes should be no larger than 3 inches by 3 inches.
- Contestants should be present during the event. No more than two representatives per entered chili/dessert.
- Chili contestants will be judged in three areas: Taste/Flavor, Aroma, Consistency. Dessert contestants will be judged in three areas: Taste/Flavor, Consistency, and Creativity. Contestants will be judged by personal opinion-based votes and the popularity of the first 30 citizens to win the Judge's Award & People's Choice Award.
- Judge's Choice will take place from 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- People's Choice will be for the first 30 citizens to enter the event & pay the \$10 entry fee from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Winners will be announced at 12:30 p.m.
- The competition consists of six-foot rectangular tables, with two entries per table. We encourage participants to bring extension cords if they require an outlet to plug in crockpot.

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