



## COMPETE TO BE NAMED “BEST CHILI” ... AND HELP END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE!

**RESPOND** invites you to compete in our *Fifth Annual Chili Cook-Off* to be held on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at Holiday Inn Boston-Bunker Hill. RESPOND is New England’s first domestic violence agency and the second oldest in the nation. We are inviting the community together for an enjoyable evening to raise critical funds. We hope you will join us!

- 🌶️ Thursday, **January 24, 2019** at 6:30PM (Pre-Super Bowl Bash!)
- 🌶️ Holiday Inn Boston- Bunker Hill at 30 Washington Street in Somerville
- 🌶️ Prepare 3-4 gallons of your best chili recipe to serve 150-250 guests  
\*Chefs must provide a list of ingredients by 1/3/19.

Chefs or representatives must arrive by 5:45PM with chili already prepared to set up chili stations. Tasting will take place from 6:30PM-9PM and winners will be announced by 8:45PM.

RESPOND will provide table space, access to electrical outlets, warming trays, tasting cups and ladles for serving chili, labels for allergenic/dietary warnings, spoons, and napkins.

### Win:

- 🌶️ Best Classic Chili
- 🌶️ Best Vegetarian Chili
- 🌶️ Most Creative Chili
- 🌶️ Crowd Favorite



*We define chili as any combination of beans cooked with chili peppers, tomatoes, various spices and other ingredients such as meats and/or vegetables.*

**Sign up to compete by January 3** at [www.respondinc.org/chefsignup](http://www.respondinc.org/chefsignup)

We hope you will consider participating in *RESPOND's Fifth Annual Chili Cook-Off*. You will be showcased before a large, diverse mix of guests and sponsors. You will receive public recognition before, during, and after the event.

### Chili Cook-Off:

RESPOND is hosting its *Fifth Annual Chili Cook-Off* to raise funds for our life-saving services. Local chefs compete to win the Chili Cook-Off trophy! Over 100 guests attended last year- this year will be even bigger. We hope you will join us and our celebrity guest judges for the fun!



2018 Trophies



Most Creative 2018: River Bar






The crowd enjoying chili 2018




### Who We Are

RESPOND, New England's first domestic violence agency and the second oldest in the nation, was founded in 1974 to help victims of domestic violence and their families' access safety and support. RESPOND offers confidential services for ALL survivors of domestic violence including men, women, members of the LGBT community, and children. Our services include a crisis hotline staffed 24/7/365 by Domestic Violence Counselors, emergency shelter, support groups, housing assistance, children's services, community outreach, and education for individuals, businesses, and community and school groups.

### What We Do:

-  In FY18, RESPOND **served over 17,000 people** through community outreach, and **provided safe shelter for 73 survivors** of domestic violence.
-  RESPOND **answered over 3,000 calls** on our 24/7 crisis hotline last year.
-  Last year RESPOND provided **191 support groups sessions** for survivors of domestic violence.

### The Facts:

-  1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men will experience domestic violence during their lifetime.
-  1 in 15 children witness domestic violence in the U.S. every year.
-  In MA, 1 in 3 transgender individuals will experience domestic violence in their lifetime.



**COUNT ME IN FOR THE RESPOND CHILI COOK-OFF!**

Chef Name \_\_\_\_\_ Restaurant Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook \_\_\_\_\_

Twitter Handle \_\_\_\_\_ Instagram \_\_\_\_\_

LinkedIn \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW MANY BATCHES OF CHILI WILL YOU ENTER INTO THE CHILI COOK-OFF? \_\_\_\_\_**

*\*Each batch must be 3-4 gallons.  
\*Ingredients lists due by January 3, 2019*

Please provide the name(s) of your Chili:

- 1.) \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Vegetarian? [ ] Vegan?
- 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Vegetarian? [ ] Vegan?
- 3.) \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Vegetarian? [ ] Vegan?
- 4.) \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Vegetarian? [ ] Vegan?

**Return this form by January 3, 2019 to [development@respondinc.org](mailto:development@respondinc.org)  
or via mail to PO Box 555, Somerville, MA, 02143  
You may also sign up online at [www.respondinc.org/chefsignup](http://www.respondinc.org/chefsignup)**

As a Chili Cook-Off participant you help us save lives, transform the future for countless families, and bring us all a giant step closer to a world free of domestic violence. We look forward to your partnership!

Please do not hesitate to contact us; we can be reached at 617-625-5996 or [development@respondinc.org](mailto:development@respondinc.org).



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