

# VENDOR & EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES

**Vendors must begin setup no earlier than 9:00 a.m. and no later than 11:00 a.m.**

- No vendor will be allowed to enter the back gate after 11:30 am. (With vehicle)
- Vendor must have approved tent or table setup.
- Vendors are responsible for removing their own trash in the appropriate receptacles.
- Vendors are responsible for the collection and payment of their own sales.
- Vendor & Exhibitor spaces are preassigned by The Newtown Nation Inc (given at check-in)
- BMCG Festival will not be liable for any losses or damages of any kind that occur at your booth.
- General security for the event will be provided.
- **Vendors must adhere to the hours of the event. 12pm – 6 pm**
- Breakdown is 6:05 – 6:30 the end of the event. (Must be out of park by 7pm) PLEASE DO NOT TAKE ANY ORDERS THAT WILL CAUSE YOU TO SHUT DOWN LATE.
- Any inappropriate behavior (language, lewd and excessive behavior) deemed inappropriate by the Festival Committee, will result in immediate cancellation of the contract, forfeiture of all deposits and immediate removal from the Robert L. Taylor Community Complex.
- **No driving out the park prior to 6pm. (For Safety purposes)**
- **ALL VENDORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING THEIR AREA CLEAN!!**

**Let's be considerate of Parks & Recreation Staff!**

**PLEASES NO TRASH LEFT BEHIND!!!**

- All vendors shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the **Big Mama's Collard Greens Festival**, Planning Committee, the City of Sarasota, RLCC and its representatives, members, employees and volunteers from and against any and all liabilities, damages, losses, cost, or expenses resulting from a claim, suit or proceeding made or bought by way the contestant or third party against any committee planning member of the organization above arising out of or in any way connected with Contestant's participation in the **BMCGF 2022**, except to the extent such liability, damage, loss or expenses is result of gross negligence or willful misconduct of any BMCGF, the City of Sarasota, representatives.

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## COOK-OFF RULES

- 1:00-1:20 p.m. Bring dish to the Newtown Nation/ Newtown Farmers Market booth (blue flags)
- 1/3 aluminum pan (loaf pan) with name & booth # underneath. The Newtown Nation will then give you a ticket matching your entry ticket which will be attached to your dish.
- 1:30 p.m. Judging start (no dishes will be accepted after 1:05 p.m.)
- 2:05 - Results will be announced. (The remainder of your dish will be for sample for patrons)

Judges will only have a dish number not ticket numbers or vendor name

## Prizes

1<sup>st</sup> place winner will receive \$150, a Festival T-shirt and commemorative gift, interviewed by local reporter and 1 Saturday free vending at Newtown Farmers Market.

2<sup>nd</sup> runner up will receive \$75, Festival T-shirt

3<sup>rd</sup> runner up will receive \$50, Festival T-shirt

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