Festival de la Comunidad
Carnitas Cook-Off Participant Application and Agreement

2022 Carnitas Cook-Off
Winters, California
Applications due by Sept 9th

The Festival de la Comunidad is a community event sponsored by Winters Community Corazón to promote unity with all segments of the community and to provide a day full of food, entertainment, activities and community information for families to enjoy. The Carnitas Cook Off is a major feature of the event and consists of a maximum of 6 teams competing for the First Prize award of $300, Second Place $200.00, Third Place $150.00 as judged by a panel. Fifty dollars will also be awarded to the winning Best Decorated Festival booth.
Participants will be given their space assignment and approx. 60-80 pounds of pork, and 50 pounds of lard.

Date: September 24, 2022, set up at 9:30am.
Preparation: Uncut meat is provided 10:30am
Start cooking at 11:00am
Carnitas ready by 3:30pm
Judging begins at 4:00pm
(Your Carnitas must be ready by this time to be judged by the panel)
Clean-up completed by 8:00 PM
Location: Rotary Park, 201 Railroad Ave. and East Main Street
Fee: $50.00 REFUNDABLE CHECK, returned the morning of the event.

Team Name:_____

Contact Name:_____

Address: _____ City:_____ Zip:_____

Cell Phone: _____ Email Address:_____

Team Member Names: **No more than three team members per team.**

1. _____ **2.**_____

3._____

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ AND SIGN THE BOOTH RULES AND REGULATIONS ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE.

Carnitas Cook-Off Rules and Regulations
(Please read before signing)

The Carnitas teams accept all liability for theft, damage, injuries and other possible mishaps that may occur in association with their cooking space. Winters Community Corazón, the City of Winters, and the Hispanic Advisory Committee and are not liable for any problems in the area around the Carnitas team's cooking locations.

The cooking space is approximately 10'x10'. All cooking and serving must be done within the assigned space, and ALL advance prep work such as chopping onions and peppers, and all assembly and preparation of ingredients MUST be done onsite. The prep work will take place inside the Community Center as will the serving of the Carnitas, but we reserve the right to require participants to prep meat in their booths. Carts will be provided to transport ingredients and food to and from the cooking location. Bringing your own cart is always welcome. Fires shall be of propane only. Electricity will not be provided. Set up time is 9:30- a.m. on the day of the event. Participants will be given their space assignment and 60-80 pounds of pork, 50 lbs lard and 3 Festival tickets upon check-in. Carnitas will be collected at 3:30pm. The Carnitas judging begins at 4:00 p.m. and take down begins after all Carnitas have been served (approximately 7:00 p.m.). **Teams are responsible for all set up and take down and must provide their own chairs, tables, shade structures, etc. Only 3 people are allowed in your booth during cooking. Teams are also responsible for cleaning around their space and should bring a broom, trash bags and garbage container.** Your cooking area needs to be kept clean at all times. The cook-off organizers will provide direction for proper lard/grease disposal after the event.

The consumption of alcohol in your Carnitas booth is not allowed after the festival begins. After 4:30PM beer may be purchased at the festival beer booth during the festival hours and consumed in the beer garden area only.

The cooking or preparation of food in your booth, other than Competition Carnitas, disqualifies you from the competition. Do not prepare or handle any other meat because it violates the health code.

Each team is responsible for cooking and turning over all of the meat provided. All Carnitas spices, other than the meat, must be provided by each team. Carnitas will be judged on taste, moisture and texture. The decision and interpretations of the judging team is final. Participants are encouraged to decorate their booths in a festive, family friendly manner.

The Carnitas competition is limited to no more than 6 teams and will be selected on a first-come first-served basis. ***Teams must have a completed application and refundable $50 deposit check submitted to the Winters Community Corazón no later than Friday, September 9 to participate in this event.***

Entry forms and documents may be mailed to:

Festival de la Comunidad
PO Box 751
Winters, CA 95694

To drop off your application, please call or email Irene Goya Tweedt (530) 304-9423 irene@winterscorazon.org or Al Vallecillo 530-902-6242 al@wintersocroazon.org to arrange.

I have read and agree to the above conditions.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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