

moving youth away from systems involvement toward their full potential



Food Vendor Packet



Dear Esteemed Food Vendor,

We extend a heartfelt invitation for your esteemed culinary enterprise to be part of Rebound, Inc.'s highly-anticipated 2024 gala, "Sankofa - A Celebration of Blackness Across the Diaspora," scheduled for Saturday, April 27th, 2024. This event promises to be a culinary journey that not only satisfies the palate but also contributes significantly to Rebound's mission of providing transformative experiences for youth within the Twin Cities.

For the past decade, Rebound, Inc. has been steadfast in its commitment to reducing the overrepresentation of Black youth in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems of the Twin Cities. We focus on offering transformative opportunities to guide these young individuals away from systemic involvement and toward realizing their full potential. This year's gala proudly showcases our recent initiatives, including the impactful "Sankofa Journey," where Rebound led young people on an inspiring journey of what it means to be Black in America, which culminated in a trip to Ghana, West Africa to explore our roots.

With an anticipated attendance of 100-150 guests, this year's gala provides a unique platform for food vendors to showcase their culinary talents and receive substantial exposure within the diverse Twin Cities community. Your participation not only aligns you with individuals deeply committed to investing in the potential of Black youth but also empowers these young minds to thrive in an ever-evolving world.

Community members highly value vendors who support innovative organizations striving for transformative change. Your contribution as a food vendor not only solidifies your position as a dedicated community partner but also emphasizes your commitment to shaping the future of Black youth through your offerings.

Enclosed, you will find detailed information about the opportunity available for food vendors, and we also welcome any contributions you might consider for our event auction. We are eager to collaborate with our culinary partners to highlight their involvement in the gala and foster enduring relationships that extend well into the future. Please feel free to reach out directly with any inquiries.

Thank you for your invaluable time, thoughtful consideration, and unwavering support as you embark on this impactful culinary journey with us.

Sincerely,

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About Rebound

Rebound, Inc. is a grass roots, community-based, non-profit located in North Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was created to regain possession of the life trajectory of Black youth. Rebound seeks to partner with the community in addressing the over-representation of Black youth in the juvenile justice system by leading the way in the innovation and provision of holistic, community-centered, education, advocacy, and rehabilitation solutions.

Mission

Rebound is dedicated to leading the way in the innovation and provision of holistic, community-centered, education, advocacy, and rehabilitation solutions to the overrepresentation of Black youth in the juvenile justice system.



Event Details

Name: Rebound Annual Charity Gala 2024:

Sankofa - a Celebration of Blackness Across the Diaspora.

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Location: Phenow Pavillion, 12000 Central Park Way, Maple Grove, MN

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Event Description: A family-friendly event uniting the rich tapestry of diverse cultures in the diaspora in a celebration of unity and giving. In the spirit of Sankofa, we are looking back on our achievements over the last ten years, to look forward to what the future holds for our next ten.

What to Expect:

- Local Flavors: Diverse dishes from local vendors, reflecting the vibrant cultures we support.
- Performances Transcending Borders: Enjoy performances showcasing the diaspora's beauty and diversity.
- Connecting Culture with Charity: Attend to support Rebound's mission, fostering a connection between culture and charity.
- Decade of Impact Kickoff: Commemorate Rebound's tenth anniversary, celebrating resilience and community support through the prevention and rehabilitation of Black youth in the juvenile justice system.
- Profits for Progress: All event profits contribute to expanding Rebound's programs, making a lasting difference in our community.

Food Vendor Expectations & Responsibilities

In the spirit of celebrating the rich tapestry of Blackness across the diaspora, Rebound invites you to join us as a featured food vendor for our Annual 2024 Gala. This event promises to be a cultural extravaganza, and we are seeking passionate restaurateurs, innovative bakeries, and dynamic food entrepreneurs to contribute to the flavor and vibrancy of the evening.

What We're Looking For:

- We are specifically reaching out to BIPOC owners who are willing to donate appetizer portions of their signature dishes. With an anticipated guest count of 100-150 individuals, we kindly request each vendor to prepare enough samples to accommodate this audience.
 - Additionally, we encourage vendors to offer attendees the option to purchase full-sized portions of their delectable creations, with a suggested donation of 20% of your sales to Rebound.

Requirements:

- To ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience for all, we ask that participating vendors possess a valid catering license and insurance.
- The venue will provide the necessary power and space for your team to set up and showcase your culinary masterpieces. Food vendors must have all other equipment that they will need.

Benefits of Participation:

- Beyond being an integral part of a memorable event, your involvement serves as a remarkable marketing opportunity.
- Moreover, your contributions can be utilized as a tax deduction. This includes supplies, ingredients, time, and any associated costs, all of which can be documented for charitable deductions.

How to Get Involved:

- If you are excited about the prospect of joining us on this culinary journey, we invite you to explore our vendor portal. Here, you can find the sign-up portal.
- Vendor Portal: Rebound's Annual Gala Vendor Signup (https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause_pdetails/MjAwNjk1)

Let's make Sankofa - A Celebration of Blackness Across the Diaspora an evening to remember, one delectable bite at a time!

Why Become a Food Vendor?

Make a Positive Impact on Racial Inequity in the Twin Cities

- Nearly ONE THOUSAND young people are on probation in the Twin Cities.
- Black youth represented two-thirds (67%) of all juvenile justice cases between 2018 and 2021.
- Black youth are four times more likely than white youth to be confined.
- A state-by-state breakdown shows that Minnesota has the second highest out of home placement rate of all 50 states & the District of Columbia and is ranked among the top 10 for the worst racial disparities for Black youth incarceration rates.

Benefit from Rebound's Track Record of Success

- Rebound, Inc. has established and maintained relationships with both Hennepin and Ramsey counties.
- Rebound, Inc. has attracted grant resources from major foundations from throughout the Twin Cities.
- Rebound, Inc. has secured grants from both the Minnesota Department of Human Services and the Department of Public Safety

Promote Your Buisness

- Brand Visibility: Increase awareness and familiarity of your brand among Twin Cities community members of color.
- Consumer Perception: Create an association of your brand with innovation and transformative change
- Credibility through association: Align with an organization with a demonstrated reputation of trustworthiness and community service.
- Tap into the appreciation for local and mission-driven businesses: More than ever, millennials are spending their money with businesses that they associate with social impact. Demonstrate your business's commitment to social impact.



Our Supporters

Every Dollar Makes a Difference

The work of Rebound, Inc. is made possible in large part thanks to the generous support of local foundations, businesses, community members, and state and county partners.





















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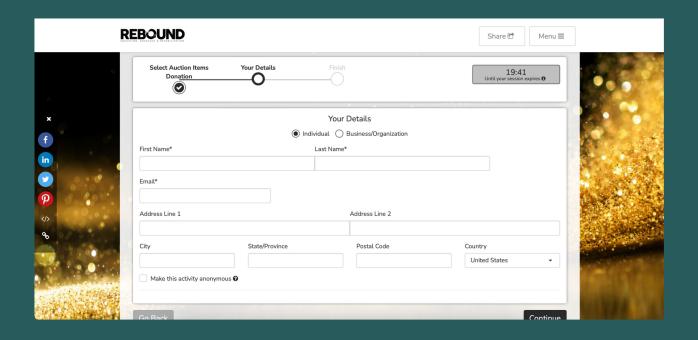


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