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Habitat for Humanity of Washington, DC Partners with Taste of DC

Charity to be Exclusive Beneficiary for the Mid-Atlantic Region's Largest Culinary Festival

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Habitat for Humanity of Washington, DC (DC Habitat) has signed on to be the official beneficiary of Taste of DC 2013 on October 12 and 13. Part of the proceeds of tickets purchased at a special link – www.thetasteofdc.org/habitat -- will go to DC Habitat in support of its mission to provide affordable housing to low-income residents of our nation's capital. DC Habitat will also feature an exhibit at the festival, where attendees may enter a raffle for prizes like a \$1,000 US Airways gift card, contribute to a children's "Draw Your Dream House" mural, and more. DC Habitat is also recruiting volunteers to support their cause at the two-day event, asking those interested in contributing their time to sign-up at <http://tasteofdc.ivolunteer.com>.

The Taste of DC is a weekend-long culinary and cultural festival featuring fare from more than 60 of the District's most popular restaurants and over 30 beers from around the world. On October 12 and 13, Taste of DC will transform Pennsylvania Avenue between the White House and Capitol into the Mid-Atlantic's premier culinary event, including the 3rd annual Ben's Chili Bowl World Chili Eating Championship, a Culinary Stage featuring some of DC's finest chefs, the Beer Garden and Wine Walk and a variety of performances on the Music Stage.

The event runs from noon to 7pm on Saturday, October 12 and Sunday, October 13, on Pennsylvania Avenue between 9th and 14th Streets. General admission tickets are \$10 and up. For more information, visit www.thetasteofdc.org.

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Habitat for Humanity of Washington, D.C. believes that everyone deserves a house they want to call home. That's why we work to reduce poverty housing and homelessness in the nation's capital by building affordable, energy- and resource-efficient homes for people in need. DC Habitat builds and rehabilitates homes in order to sell them to families who are ineligible for conventional financing. Visit us at www.dchabitat.org for more information.

The Taste of DC is the mid-Atlantic's premier culinary and cultural festival featuring over 60 of DC's most popular restaurants and food trucks, the 3rd Annual Ben's Chili Bowl's World Chili Eating Competition, and some of the District's most popular chefs. There will also be nonstop entertainment across 3 stages all weekend, and we expect over 40,000 attendees. For more information on the event, participating vendors, and Taste of DC, LLC., please contact Becky Oriente (becky.oriente@thetasteofdc.org).