THE TRUST FOR GOVERNORS ISLAND

Food Vendor Permits Now Available for Governors Island's 2017 Season

Governors Island now accepting proposals for season-long food vendors at two sites on the Island

Season-long business opportunity

January 23, 2017. The Trust for Governors Island today opened its permit process for temporary food vendors during the 2017 season. Building on the Island's reputation as a home for a diverse array of arts, culture and food, The Trust seeks proposals for vendors to provide high-quality, reasonably priced and delicious food options for visitors both during weekdays and on weekends. Vendors such as mobile food trucks, coffee vendors, carts and pop up concessions can submit proposals to bring their food to Governors Island during the 2017 public access season. The online permit application is available on the Trust's website. Applications are due on March 10, 2017.

"Each season, Governors Island offers visitors an array of food options and cuisines as diverse as New York City itself", said Michael Samuelian, President and CEO of The Trust for Governors Island. "With a new park open, a record number of visitors in 2016 and a longer season in 2017, we are eager to expand our food and beverage offerings and find vendors who share our passion for the Island's spirit of openness and diversity."

With a record number of visitors to the Island in 2016, the Trust seeks a wide-range of food and beverage vendors representing a variety of cuisines and providing high-quality options that enhance the visitor experience. Applicants should reflect a wide-range of menu options and price points.

Two dynamic, highly trafficked and centrally located sites are available for food vendors submitting proposals through this permit process. The first, Liggett Terrace Food Court serves as a gateway to the Island's new 40-acre park, located a short walk from both the Manhattan and Brooklyn ferry landings and directly adjacent to Colonels Row, an area with beautiful historic buildings and sprawling lawns activated with programming throughout the summer. The second site, the Kings Avenue Food Court is a tree-lined street flanked by historic buildings, also adjacent to the dynamic and bustling Colonels Row. Each location will be home to multiple vendors of different types of food.

Applicants are welcome to indicate a preference for one location or another, and may also propose food at both locations. Applicants should also indicate their preference for days of operations, with preference given to proposers who make season-long commitments. Last year, The Island welcomed nearly 600,000 visitors over the course of the season and weekday visitors doubled. The Island typically welcomes 10,000

visitors each weekend day and 3,000 visitors each weekday. More than 75% of visitors to the Island are from New York City and over 90% are from the Tri-State area.

To submit an application for a temporary food vending permit, visit The Trust's <u>website</u>. Submissions are due on March 10, 2017 at which point The Trust will review all of the applications it has received. The Trust will contact applicants by March 31, 2017 after applications are reviewed.

In 2017, Governors Island will be open every day from May 1 through October 1. The Island is open from 10 AM to 6 PM on weekdays and from 10 AM to 7 PM on weekends, Memorial Day, July 4 and Labor Day. During that time, the Island hosts a wide range of arts, cultural, educational and recreational programs.

About The Trust for Governors Island

The Trust for Governors Island is the not-for-profit corporation created by the City of New York that is responsible for the redevelopment and operation of 150 acres of Governors Island.

The Trust's mission is to transform Governors Island into a vibrant resource for New York City, making this island at the center of New York Harbor a destination with extraordinary public open space, as well as educational, not-for-profit and commercial facilities.

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