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On behalf of the St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte, I would like to extend our deep appreciation for the opportunity to invite you to be a **Vendor** at our signature cultural and humanitarian event, **FESTA ITALIANA** Charlotte 2025. This milestone celebration, marking its 20th year, is a unique occasion to highlight the best of Italian culture while positively impacting the lives of individuals with disabilities.

About FESTA ITALIANA

FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte is a vibrant Elegant Festival/Gala that brings together the community to enjoy a curated experience of Italian culture, including authentic cuisine of many Ristoranti, cafes, markets etc. and more than 15 Chefs, fine Prosecco and Wine, PERONI Beer, and captivating Professional Music, all in a festive and welcoming environment with approximately 600 guests and volunteers. At its core, however, this event is more than a celebration of culture and cuisine; it is a platform for fostering awareness and support for individuals with disabilities.

Through a partnership with the Nevins Center of Charlotte, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, FESTA ITALIANA supports its incredible 66-year mission of Nevins to empower individuals with disabilities. The **Nevins Center** provides education, job training, and opportunities that build pride, independence, and fulfillment. Every dollar raised through this event directly aids this vital work.

Why Participate as a Vendor?

- Connect with a dynamic audience celebrating fine Italian food, wine, and culture.
- Boost your business visibility and reputation in the Charlotte community.
- Sell Products and Services etc.
- And Support a meaningful cause. All proceeds benefit individuals with special needs through the Nevins Center.

About the St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte

Founded in 2006 as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, the St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte is dedicated to improving the lives of individuals with special needs. Through events like FESTA ITALIANA, we merge cultural celebration with purposeful giving, creating an event that has become a staple of the Charlotte community.

We would be honored to have your organization join us as a Vendor at the level of your choice. Together, we can celebrate culture, strengthen community ties, and make a lasting difference in the lives of others.

Sincerely,



Vincent E. Voci, MD - Founder and Chairman, Board of Directors FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte | St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte

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20th Annual FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025

Vendor Opportunities

Hosted by the St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization | EIN: 20-8579032

Sunday, May 18, 2025 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Gateway Village Promenade | 800-900 W. Trade St., Uptown Charlotte

BENEFITING PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES

Join us for the **20th Annual FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte**, a premier celebration of Italian culture, cuisine, and community, all while supporting a vital cause. Over nearly two decades, **FESTA ITALIANA** has raised almost **\$400,000** to benefit individuals with special needs and disabilities at the **Nevins Center**. Together, we aim to surpass this milestone and make an even greater difference in 2025.

Vendor Opportunities

\$950 - Vendor Opportunity

- Your logo or name featured on select Festa email and print communications
- Recognition on the Sponsorship section of the Festa website
- Festa will provide a table and 2 chairs
- Option to set up small booth or small tent after approval
- Sell your Products and or Services
- Admission for 2 vendor representatives

\$1,475 - Large Vendor Opportunity

- Your logo or name is prominently displayed on most Festa email and print communications.
- Recognition on the Sponsorship page of the Festa website.
- Sell your Products and or Services
- Admission for 3 vendor representatives.
- A larger area, booth or tent area, and additional tables and chairs. (You may use your own booth or tent, if approved.)

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- Boost your business visibility, generosity, and reputation in the Charlotte community.
- Supporting a meaningful cause: all proceeds benefit individuals with special needs through the Nevins Center.

Registration Instructions

Please complete the vendor registration form and return it with payment. Supporters are also encouraged to contribute to the Virtual Silent Auction to maximize visibility and impact.

Our Festivities are made possible by the generosity and participation of local businesses. By partnering with us, your support helps to create an unforgettable celebration while directly benefiting the community.

Payment Information & Instructions:

Checks should be made payable to **St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte**.

Mailing Address: **St. Anthony Foundation of Charlotte** c/o Voci Center 2620 E. 7th Street, Suite 300 Charlotte, NC 28204

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact:

Dr. Vincent E. Voci at **704-560-3030** (call/text) email at info@festaitalianacharlotte.org

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and here is our FESTA Website link: www.festaitalianacharlotte.org

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Charlotte's Gourmet Italian Food and Wine Festival

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FESTA VENDOR OVERVIEW INFORMATION

FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte is celebrating its 20th Annual Festival, and we'd be honored to have your culinary talents featured at this premier cultural and humanitarian event. This is your opportunity to showcase your food to 600+ enthusiastic guests while supporting a profound cause the **Nevins Center**, a nonprofit devoted to helping people with disabilities achieve their full potential.

Festival Highlights

- Culinary Excellence: Featuring 12 restaurants and 15 chefs, including our Pasta Stations, 3-Foot Signature Risottos, and Wood-Fired Pizza baked on-site.
- Showcase Your Product or Service: Present your product or service starting at 1 PM and continuing through 6 PM until the festival ends.
- Live Entertainment: Continuous live Italian musical performances create a lively ambiance, and a Kid Zone to entertain children.
- Silent Virtual Auction: We encourage your participation by donating an auction item, such as a gift certificate or product, to promote your business.
- Audience Engagement: With a streamlined service approach—guests make a \$125 donation (includes unlimited food and beverages) upon admission—there's no hassle of handling money, tickets, or tokens at the event. The Italian Liquore Tastings and Flights are the only items not included in admission.

What We Provide

We want to make your participation seamless and successful. Each vendor will receive the following:

- All promotions for your presence at the event.
- Space to set up a table, booth, or approved tent.
- 110V electricity (please note, 220V is not available). Bring extra extension cords or power strips if needed.
- Admission according to your vendor participation level.
- Table and chairs according to your vendor participation level.



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What You Provide

- Table, booth, or approved tent and chairs for staff.
- Promotional materials for your product or service.
- Staff for your area (tickets included with your chosen package).
- Signage and décor to display your brand. We encourage creative, eye-catching setups to enhance your presentation.

Your Participation Matters

FESTA ITALIANA is an amazing opportunity to connect with hundreds of passionate Italian food and wine enthusiasts while supporting a meaningful cause. Over the past 19 years, Festa has raised more than \$400,000 to benefit the Nevins Center, a 65-year-old nonprofit serving individuals with disabilities. Together, we hope to surpass this milestone while continuing to grow the region's appreciation for Italian cuisine and culture.

Media Promotion

Your participation will gain exposure through widespread event coverage. FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte is regularly featured on WBTV, WCNC, and popular Spring Event Calendars, making this an exceptional opportunity to showcase your culinary expertise.

Contact Information

If you have questions or are ready to join us, please reach out to any of our team members below.

- Event Founder & Organizer: Vincent E. Voci, MD
 Cell/Text: 704-560-3030 | Email: info@festaitalianacharlotte.org
- Onsite Food and Beverage Coordinator: Rocco Spinelli I Cell/Text: 704-661-1105
- Social Media Marketing Coordinator: Tati Loya | Cell/Text: 951-236-7530
- Marketing Communications Manager: Sara Bonham-DiBello | Cell/Text: 918-978-0201
- Silent Auction, Website & Event Planner: Jessica Bustamante | Cell/Text: 704-292-5733

We can't wait to work with you to make this year's FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte a memorable and impactful event. Visit us online at www.festaitalianacharlotte.org for additional information.

Grazie Mille for your support and interest in celebrating Italian culture with us!

Sincerely,

Vincent

Vincent E. Voci MD and

The Festa Italiana Planning Team





Who is the Nevins Center of Charlotte

Celebrating 66 Years of Empowering Individuals with Disabilities

Since 1959, the Nevins Center of Charlotte has been dedicated to creating opportunities for individuals with disabilities so they can lead productive, fulfilling, and happy lives. As a proud 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, we focus on education, job training, and community integration to help empower those we serve.

Your support allows us to continue providing these vital services and ensures that individuals with special needs can build independence, gain new skills, and experience the pride of contributing meaningfully to our community.

How You Can Help

Make a Donation

Your contribution directly impacts the individuals we serve, helping to fund education programs, job training initiatives, and social activities that enhance their quality of life. Together, we can create a brighter future for those in our community with special needs.

Become a Volunteer

Share your time, talents, and energy to make a difference. Volunteers are essential to the success of our programs and events. Join us in creating lasting, positive change.

Spread the Word

Help us raise awareness about the work we do. Share our mission with your friends, family, and colleagues to inspire others to get involved.

Together, We Can Make a Difference

Join us in celebrating the Nevins Center's 66 years of service and help us continue to make meaningful, life-changing impacts for individuals with disabilities in Charlotte.

Contact Us

For more information or to get involved, please reach out to us today!

Website: www.nevinsinc.org Email: info@nevinsinc.org **Phone:** 704-596-1372

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VENDOR LEVEL SELECTED:
VENDOR NAME(S):
COMPANY/BUSINESS:
CONTACT PERSON:
PHONE:
EMAIL:
ADDRESS:
CITY, STATE, ZIP:
DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS, PRODUCT, OR SERVICE:
WILL YOU SELL PRODUCTS ON SITE? Y / N
ADDITIONAL NEEDS FOR DISPLAY:
ADDITIONAL RELEGITOR DIGITAL.

Thank you for your generosity and support of FESTA ITALIANA Charlotte 2025. Together, we can celebrate Italian culture while making a meaningful impact on the lives of those with special needs.