



Trust for Governors Island Issues Request for Proposals for Food Vendors for 2016 Season

Governors Island now accepting proposals for food vendors at two different sites on the Island

Two to three year business opportunity

January 28, 2016. The Trust for Governors Island yesterday issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for temporary food vendors on Governors Island. Building on the Island's reputation as a home for a diverse array of arts, culture and food, The Trust seeks proposals for temporary food vendors to provide high-quality, reasonably priced and delicious food options for visitors both during weekdays and on weekends. Vendors can submit proposals to bring their food to Governors Island during the 2016 and 2017 public access seasons with an option to include the 2018 public access season. The RFP is available on the Trust's [website](#). Proposals are due on March 14, 2016.

“Over the past several years, Governors Island has been able to offer a diverse array of food options to our visitors,” said Leslie Koch, President of The Trust for Governors Island. “We are eager to find a range of vendors who share the spirit of the Island, and who will help continue to shape it each day with the food they bring.”

The Trust's highest priority in this RFP is to award food vending permits to those proposers who will provide high-quality food that reflects the diversity of Governors Island's visitors and their appetites. This diversity should be reflected in the range of vendors, price points, types of cuisine, and variety of choices within a given menu.

There are two sites available through this RFP. The first, Liggett Terrace Food Court is considered a gateway to the new park, home to Hammock Grove, play fountains, sports fields and the rising Hills. Second, the King Ave. Food Court is a tree-lined street flanked by historic buildings. Each location will be home to multiple sellers of different types of food. Proposers are welcome to indicate a preference for one location or another, and may also propose food at both locations, as well as their days of operation preference. Use of these sites will be permitted for up to three years during the five month period from May 1 -October 15.

To submit a proposal for a temporary food vending permit, visit The Trust's [website](#). Proposals are due on March 14 at which point The Trust will review all of the applications it has received. The Trust will be in touch with Proposers by April after applications are reviewed.

Governors Island is open seasonally to the public from the end of May through the end of September. During that time, the Island hosts a wide range of arts, cultural, educational and recreational programs through OpenHouseGI.

In 2016, Governors Island will be open every day from May 28 through September 25. 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.

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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