



The Midwest's Premier Food Truck Festival Returns to the Franklin County Fairgrounds August 16–17, 2025

Columbus, OH—February 15, 2025 — The founder of the Midwest's premier food truck event, Chas Kaplan, is happy to announce the return of the mouth-watering Columbus Food Truck Festival, Hilliard Edition to the Franklin County Fairground August 16-17.

Now in its fourteenth year, the festival showcases a delicious array of cuisines and flavors from 50+ gourmet food trucks from Ohio and across the Midwest. Complimenting the wonderful food, the festival boasts over two dozen artisans and crafters as well as its signature live music throughout the weekend on one main stage.

"We're thrilled to be bringing the Columbus Food Truck Festival back for another year," said Chas Kaplan, organizer of the festival. "With so many delicious food options and fun activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy."

The complete food vendor line-up as well as performance schedule and participating artisans will be announced at a later date.

The festival runs Saturday, August 16 from 11 a.m.–10 p.m. and Sunday, August 17th from 11 a.m.–7 p.m. Single day admission to the festival is just \$5 per person when purchased online in advance and \$10 online/at the door on festival days. Tickets on sale now at ColumbusFoodTruckFest.com. As in year's past, children 12 years of age and younger receive complimentary admission, but must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older. Guests are strongly encouraged to get their tickets before heading to the event as this event is anticipated to sell out.

Limited complimentary onsite parking* is included with the admission ticket. **Parking is on a first come, first served basis for ticket holders. on-street parking is also conveniently located around the Franklin County Fairgrounds.*

A portion of the proceeds from the festival benefit the [Music Loves Ohio](https://MusicLovesOhio.com) and many other local non-profits. Since the festival's inception in 2011, organizers have donated over \$107,000 to local charities from the event's proceeds.

HOURS AND GENERAL INFORMATION SUMMARY

The Columbus Food Truck Festival, Hilliard Edition runs Saturday, August 16 from 11 a.m.–10 p.m. and Sunday, August 17 from 11 a.m.–7 p.m. and is located at the Franklin County Fairgrounds 4951 Northwest Parkway, Hilliard, Ohio 43026.

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To stay up to date with food vendors, activities, and musicians, be sure to bookmark ColumbusFoodTruckFest.com and check the festival's Facebook and Instagram pages under the handle @colfoodtruckfest.



Food Vendors/Artisans+Crafters/Entertainers/Sponsors

Those interested in becoming a food vendor, entertainer, artisan/crafter for the event should visit the festival's website at ColumbusFoodTruckFest.com. For those interested in sponsoring the festival, please download the sponsor deck by [clicking here](#).

ABOUT THE COLUMBUS FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

Named **Best Foodie Event** in the state by Ohio Magazine in 2017, the Columbus Food Truck Festival features the best mobile food vendors from throughout the region as well as arts and crafts vendors, and dozens of bands on one Main Stage.

While the festival's mission is to support food tourism in the Central Ohio area and support small business, another very essential component to the festival is to help build awareness and support local non-profit organizations that serve the Central Ohio community. Last year, the festival's charitable partners included [Music Loves Ohio](#) and the [Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio](#). "Both of these non-profit organizations give so much to the community and we want to support their efforts," said Kaplan.

Find them online at ColumbusFoodTruckFest.com and on Facebook at [@colfoodtruckfest](https://www.facebook.com/colfoodtruckfest).

ABOUT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS AND THE FRANKLIN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Franklin County Fairgrounds is operated by the Franklin County Agricultural Society. The objectives of the Society are the improvement of agriculture, horticulture, better livestock, uniform domestic science and art, and the promotion of youth activities, and the general community betterment together with all other industrial, commercial, and educational interests of the County.

The Franklin County Fairgrounds is located at 4951 Northwest Parkway, Hilliard, OH 43026. For more information about the Franklin County Agricultural Society and the Franklin County Fairgrounds visit them online at fcfair.org.

ABOUT MUSIC LOVES OHIO

Music Loves Ohio is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides opportunities for Central Ohio youth to pursue their passion for music. Their financial assistance is focused on music education classrooms (public schools, private schools, and after school programs) and providing instruments to financially underserved students in Central Ohio.

For more information about Music Loves Ohio, visit them online at musiclovesohio.org.

ABOUT DESTINATION HILLIARD/HILLIARD OHIO

Hilliard, Ohio is a thriving community of more than 33,000 residents. Residents and corporate citizens enjoy dependable city and safety services, a highly rated public-school system, scenic parks and trails, terrific recreational programs and a variety of safe and attractive neighborhoods. Situated just west of the Scioto River along I-270, Hilliard is only a 15 to 20-minute commute to downtown Columbus. With roots that began as a village built in 1869 around the railroad station, Hilliard has grown into a city full of local pride and history. For more information about Hilliard, Ohio, activities, accommodations, and attractions, please visit them online at destinationhilliard.com.

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