



Buy a Bowl, Feed 100 People

Inspired Minds Art Center
Empty Bowl Event
2024

Charitable Project: *Buy a Bowl, Feed 100 People*

On January 20, 2024, Inspired Minds Art Center is celebrating its 4th birthday by giving back to the community that has been so supportive of the arts. The art center is teaming up with local artists and restaurants to raise money for the Hays County Food Bank by hosting an Empty Bowl event entitled, "Buy a Bowl, Feed 100 People." Every handcrafted, ceramic bowl sold at the event will come with a choice of gourmet soup from local restaurants. The proceeds from each \$35 Empty Bowl purchase will be donated directly to the Hays County Food Bank to feed 100 people!

In January 2023, we raised \$5200 ≈ 15,000 meals for the Hays County Food Bank. In 2024, we aim to surpass what we raised last year!

The Need: *400 Ceramic Bowls*

We are seeking 400 ceramic soup bowls of all sizes, shapes, and colors donated by area potters and pottery students.

- Bowls must be:
 - Ceramic
 - Food-safe glazed
 - 2 cup volume
 - No cracks, crevices, or pinholes
 - No sharp/rough edges

How to Donate: Thank you so much for your donation!

- Fill out this [Donation Form](#)
- Choose whether you'd like us to:
 - Pick up your donation at the **Texas Clay Festival on Sunday, Oct. 29** or
 - Drop off your donation at **Inspired Minds Art Center by Saturday, January 13th**

About Inspired Minds Art Center

The mission of Inspired Minds Art Center is to support both local artists and the community by joining them together to inspire a dialogue of creativity, passion, fine art,



and a celebration of culture. Since 2020, Inspired Minds Art Center has worked with the City of Buda, the Buda Public Library, HaysCISD, Buda's Brightside, local businesses, private citizens, and local artists to bring free art programs, festivals, and events to the community, public artwork and art markets to Downtown Buda, and art, theatre, and music classes and camps to people living in Central Texas. Meanwhile, Inspired Minds Art Center has been a source of income for over 200 artists during our short lifetime. None of this could have been accomplished without the collaboration, cooperation, and generosity of the surrounding community.

About Hays County Food Bank: Source: www.haysfoodbank.org:

"Hays County Food Bank provides food at no cost to low-income households and those suffering from some sort of food emergency due to job loss, medical emergencies, disasters, etc. There are no geographical boundaries to service."

- 1 in 7 (25,740) Hays County residents are food insecure (Feeding America).
- 1 in 5 (8,740) Hays County children are food insecure (Feeding America).
- 40% of households in need in Hays County do not qualify for federally supported programs like SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) (Feeding America).
- Only 59% of the Hays County population who qualify for food aid from SNAP are actually receiving it (Feeding Texas).
- The percentage of economically disadvantaged students in Hays County school districts are even more harrowing (Texas Education Agency): 51% of students qualify in San Marcos CISD 51% of students qualify in Hays CISD 25.5% of students qualify in Wimberley ISD 5.5% of students qualify in Dripping Springs ISD.

To learn more about this event, please contact:

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