

# HOUSTON RESTAURANT WEEKS KICKS-OFF TODAY! 385 Restaurants Are Participating for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**HOUSTON, TEXAS, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023** – Houston Restaurant Weeks<sup>™</sup> (HRW) starts today, August 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through Labor Day, September 4<sup>th</sup>, with a record-breaking 385 restaurants participating this year! For 35 days, diners will enjoy specially priced, multicourse prix-fixe menus for brunch, lunch, and dinner. HRW is the largest annual fundraiser for America's largest food bank, the Houston Food Bank. Participating restaurants will make donations based on their HRW sales. The 2023 meal prices, and donation amounts are as follows:

HRW MEAL PRICES	RESTAURANT DONATION TO HOUSTON FOOD BANK PER HRW MEAL SOLD	NUMBER OF MEALS GENERATED BY FOOD BANK PER HRW MEAL SOLD
Dinner \$55	\$7	21
Dinner \$39	\$5	15
Brunch \$25	\$3	9
Lunch \$25	\$3	9

"We are excited to see the number of restaurants continue to climb this year," said Katie Stone. "In addition to many of the long-time favorites, we have more than 80 first timers. This shows how much the industry respects and embraces HRW. You can feel the power of our city's philanthropic personality. Everyone can't wait to Dine Out & Do Good!"

Diners can visit the all-new <u>website</u> to view a list of participants, their menus, and start making reservations! 2023 Sponsors include: BMW Dealers of Houston, FOX26 Houston, OpenTable, Stellar Bank, Stella Artois, and Tellepsen.

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## ABOUT THE FOUNDER & THE CLEVERLEY STONE FOUNDATION

Houston Restaurant Weeks (HRW) was established in 2003 by 26-year restaurant correspondent and philanthropist <u>Cleverley Stone</u>, former host of "<u>The Cleverley Show</u>," a talk show about food, wine and dining on CBS Sports Radio 650/KIKK-AM and former food segment contributor to <u>Fox 26/KRIV Morning News</u> in Houston. To date, HRW has donated over \$18.8 million to fight hunger in Houston, providing over 56.4 million meals for those who are food insecure. The Cleverley Stone Foundation now exists to continue her mission and legacy by supporting Houstonians in need by producing Houston Restaurant Weeks, benefiting the Houston Food Bank, and sister event Eat Drink HTX.



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### **ABOUT HOUSTON FOOD BANK**

Serving Houston and southeast Texas since 1982, Houston Food Bank's mission is to provide food for better lives. We provide access to more than 150 million nutritious meals in 18 counties through our 1,600 community partners of food pantries, soup kitchens, social service providers and schools. Filling gaps on plates, we have a strong focus on healthy foods and fresh produce. In collaboration with our community, we advocate for policy change and racial equity, and promote dialogue on ways to increase access to food and to improve the lives of those in our communities, including services and connections to programs that address the root causes of hunger and are aimed at helping families achieve long-term stability: nutrition education, health management, and help with securing state-funded assistance. We are a resource for individuals and families in times of hardship. Houston Food Bank works alongside our partner food banks in Montgomery County, Galveston County, Brazos Valley, and Trinity River area. Houston Food Bank is a certified member of Feeding America, the nation's food bank network, with a four-star rating from Charity Navigator for the 12th consecutive year.

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