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**Media Advisory: FOOD for Lane County's 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Chef's Night Out**

**What:** This unique culinary experience not only satisfies your taste buds, it also meets a critical need in our community. All of the proceeds from this event helps FOOD For Lane County provide emergency and supplemental food to our neighbors. Chefs' Night Out began 26 years ago with the vision of Mike West, a Eugene chef who believed that no one should be hungry because of life's circumstances. He prepared dinner for 50 people in his restaurant and gave the proceeds to FFLC. The next year, several restaurants became involved inviting patrons to "dine around town." By the third year so many chefs wanted to be involved that it made more sense to bring them under one roof and "Chefs' Night Out" at the Hult Center was a new tradition. Today, more than 50 local restaurants, wineries, microbreweries, and distilleries participate.

**When:** Tuesday, April 5 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

**Where:** Eugene's Hult Center for Performing Arts

**Who:** FOOD for Lane County

**Why:** With \$1, FOOD for Lane County creates 3 meals for those in need in the community.

Last year's event provided more than 200,000 meals. FOOD for Lane County's mission is: "Alleviating hunger by creating access to food."

**For more information, visit, <https://foodforlanecounty.org/event/chefs-night-out/>.**

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