

VALLEY CENTER BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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8th Annual Guns & Hoses Chili Cook-Off

2026 PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

BATES NUT FARM • 15954 Woods Valley Rd, Valley Center | Sunday, Nov 8 12:00pm-3:00pm

The Details:

- The 2026 Valley Center Guns & Hoses Chili Cook-Off will take place at Bates Nut Farm, located at 15954 Woods Valley Road, Valley Center. The cook-off will be part of a day-long event at Bates that includes bands, a craft fair and other events. The Cook-off event begins at 12pm, contestants please arrive no later than 11:00 a.m. to get set up. The judging will start promptly at 12:00 p.m. when the public joins in.
- This event is a fundraiser for the Valley Center Fire Explorer Program. The public will be asked for a donation upon entry. While the theme is Fire vs. Cops, all organizations and individuals are WELCOME to participate! The more the merrier!
- Bring 2-3 LARGE crock pots of prepared chili and serving utensils. Event organizers will provide tables, bowls and spoons. Please bring electric extension cords and a power strip to plug in your chili pots.
- Decorate your table. Bring a sign announcing your department/district, station, club, business, organization, name, etc. This is a great networking venue to promote, so bring flyers and advertising materials to pass out if you want.
- **AWARDS** People's Choice \$150 cash • Best Chili \$250 cash
 Chief's Challenge - dinner for 2 at Black and Blue Steakhouse

NAME: _____

ORG/ENTRY NAME: _____

MAILING: _____

PHONE/CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

Can we contact you by text? YES / NO Would you like to be notified of upcoming events? YES / NO

NAME YOUR CHILI: _____

PARTICIPANT ENTRY FEE: \$25 *Proceeds from this event benefit the Valley Center Fire Explorers Post 1600.*

Submit the entry form to: VALLEY CENTER BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, PO BOX 1843, Valley Center, CA 92082 or drop off at Valley Center Fire Station 1, 28234 Lilac Road. Any payments/donations please make payable to VALLEY CENTER BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, or use venmo @myVCBA or zelle: info@myVCBA.com

Questions? Events@myVCBA.com or (760) 651-VCBA