# DNC Host Committee x Choose Chicago

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

# Convention by the Numbers

Hosted at two official venues: United Center and McCormick Place Day Event August 19-22, 2024



Delegates representing

57 state parties

Anticipated visitors

50K

The Democratic National Convention will have an incredible impact across the Chicagoland area.



12K

Volunteers Needed

150M+

Estimated Economic Impact



# Why Chicago?

#### Why Chicago?

- Infrastructure to host successful, large-scale events
- Strong track record of success for complex, large-scale gatherings
  - NATO
  - Lollapalooza
- World class venues
- Easily navigable footprint
- Chicago is centrally located
- Strong labor laws that support workers
- Abundant hospitality options (nearly 44,000 hotel rooms in the Central Business District alone)
- Robust small business community
- Chicago is a diverse and vibrant city, home to some of the best restaurants, museums, art and entertainment in the world
- Heart of the Blue Wall

# **Convention Planning**

#### Convention Leadership

- National Leadership: Democratic National Convention
  Committee
  - Represents the Democratic party
  - Executes the logistics of the convention <u>inside</u> official event venues
  - Conducts official meeting of delegates at local, state, and national levels
  - Responsible for nominating a presidential and vice presidential candidate
- Local Leadership: Chicago Host Committee
  - 501(c)(6) non-profit, non-partisan entity responsible for fundraising, civic and community engagement
  - Liaises with local, state, and federal agencies for all logistical needs <u>outside</u> of official event venues
  - Represents the host city and committed to making a positive, lasting contribution to the neighborhoods and communities across Chicago

#### **Convention Planning Timeline**



#### Goals for 2024 Convention

#### Accessible

- Ensure full inclusion of all delegates, alternates and guests who require reasonable accommodation.
- Hotels, venues and transportation selection with a commitment to accessibility.
- Hired an Accessibility Advisor.

#### Inclusive

- Commitment to inclusion of people of all walks of life.
- Volunteer outreach campaign focuses on driving engagement across Chicago, the state, and region.
- Launched a vendor directory and venue portal to promote local and diverse businesses
- Hired a Chief Equity Officer to focus on diversity and equity in procurements.
  - Awarded first African American prime contractor, Show Strategy, for expo services
     Awarded K&P Advisory, a women-owned
     prime contractor, for Owner's Rep

#### Sustainable

- Commitment to reducing environmental impact that large-scale gatherings may have on a host city
- Contract for Sustainability
  Manager





# What To Expect & How to Get Involved

#### What Should You Expect?

- Delegates and members of national media will arrive as early as Friday, August 16th, and largely leave town on Friday, August 23rd
  - 50,000 visitors; 15,000 members of media; 5700+ delegates
- Official convention activities will take place at United Center & McCormick Place
  - Marriott Marquis & Hyatt Regency are official HQ hotels for DNC, DNCC, and Biden for President
  - Contracted with 40+ hotels in the CBD; delegates in 8 hotels downtown
  - Credentialed attendees will have shuttle service
- Ancillary events and activations throughout the city

## Do Business with Us: Contracts

#### chicago2024.com/rfp

- Released 10 RFPs/RFQs to date; Awarded 5
  - Awarded:
    - Event Architect: Populous
    - Event Management: Hargrove & Show Strategy
    - Construction Management: McHugh Powers
    - Owner's Rep: K&P Advisory
    - Expo Services: Show Strategy
  - Evaluation in Process:
    - Credentialing (3), Transportation, Media Booking
- Open
  - Volunteer Management Software
  - Temporary Power (subcontract with McHugh Powers)
- Upcoming
  - Construction and Event Services subcontracts
  - Security

SAVE THE DATE March 21st Vendor Summit at United Center

# Do Business with Us: Share Your Business on our Vendor Directory

#### chicago2024.com/vendors/

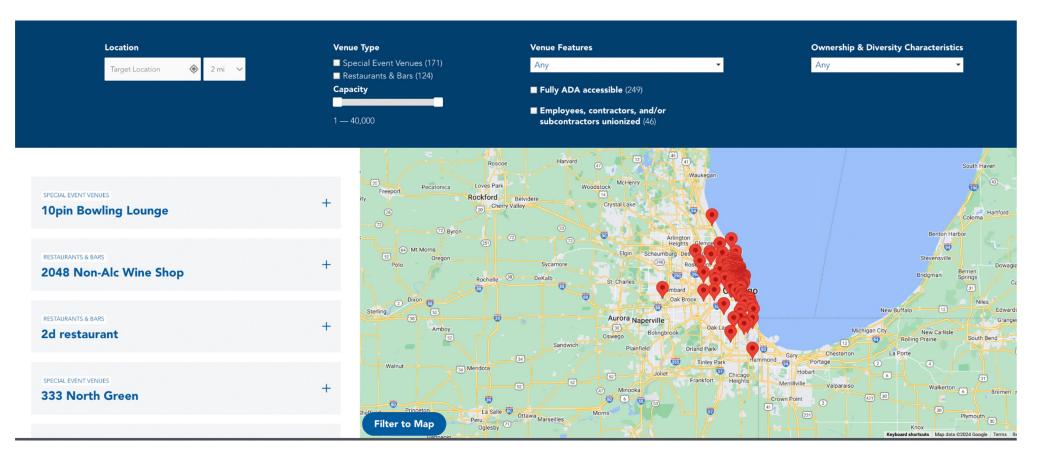
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# Do Business With Us: Share Your Event Space on our Venue Portal

#### chicago2024.com/venues



#### How to Get Involved? Volunteer with

#### Us!

We need 12,000 volunteers to assist with:

- Host Committee events
- Wayfinding
- Transportation
- Security/Access Control/Credential Checks
- Technology
- Hall operations
- Communications
- Housing

Please share this QR code with your family, friends, and co-workers and encourage them to sign up to volunteer!



Get Ready promoting Chicago's 77 neighborhoods and robust local business community. Whether you own a restaurant in Austin or an event space in Andersonville, get ready for visitors from across the nation. Check in with our team if you need assistance with messaging!

- Make sure your business license is up to date
- Check your business website to make sure it works and has your latest offerings
- Establish a social media presence if you haven't already done so
- If you are a restaurant, museum, cultural institution, or other service-based entity, consider offering special deals on services, admission, or meals for visitors during DNC week
- If you own a brick and mortar business, consider adding planters or flowers that are red, white, and blue.
- Add welcoming messaging to your windows, storefronts, or websites.
- During convention week, check your occupancy limits!
- Report any suspicious activity during convention week: if you see something, say something! CHICAGO \* DNC 2024

## How to Get Involved?





#### Resources

- <u>Chicago2024.com</u> (Host Committee)
  - Volunteer Interest Form: <a href="http://www.chicago2024.com/volunteer">www.chicago2024.com/volunteer</a>
  - Vendor Interest Form: <a href="http://www.chicago2024.com/vendors">www.chicago2024.com/vendors</a>
- Email: info@chicago2024.com
- @2024\_chicago on Instagram
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### Thank you!

# BURNER PRODUCTIONS

