

Stone Soup Supper Raises More Than \$92,000 Tonbo Ramen and Whiskey Kitchen Crowned Soup-erior Chefs

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RALEIGH, N.C. – Urban Ministries of Wake County raised more than \$92,000 at last Tuesday's Stone Soup Supper fundraiser. Approximately 800 guests were in attendance at NCSU's McKimmon Center.

Stone Soup Supper featured nearly 20 Triangle chefs competing against each other in a soup competition. Ticket holders enjoyed all-you-can-eat soup, voting on their favorite throughout the night. Guests selected <u>Chef Aaron Matyac (right) from Whiskey Kitchen</u> and his Tomyum Seafood and Chicken as the winning soup.





The event also featured celebrity judges, or local media representatives and popular foodies, who selected their favorite soup in a blind taste test, using taste, presentation, and creativity as their qualifiers. The judges selected Chef Alex Cordova (left) of Tonbo Ramen and his Tonkotsu Broth with Pork Belly as the winner.

Both chefs were crowned "Soup-erior Chefs", receiving an award plaque and recognition at the event. The chefs will hold the title until next year's Stone Soup Supper, anticipated November 2019.

Proceeds raised from Stone Soup Supper support Urban Ministries of Wake County's programs of feeding, sheltering, and providing medical care to nearly 30,000 people in need.

About Urban Ministries of Wake County: For more than 35 years, Urban Ministries of Wake County has worked to meet the basic needs – food, shelter, and healthcare – of the most vulnerable residents. Urban Ministries serves nearly 30,000 individuals each year, including 8,000 children. More than 90 cents of every dollar contributed goes directly to client services. www.urbanmin.org

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