Recommendations

Local and/or Minority-owned

- Catering Out of the Box
  - American style including breakfast to light dinners hors d’oeuvres and snacks
- Currency Exchange Café
  - Owned by Theaster Gates
- Fanfares by Faye
  - An American style catering service specializing in breakfast, boxed lunches, and our hors d’oeuvres
- Good Earth
  - Vegetarian-friendly.
- Mahjanee
  - Vegetarian-friendly. Located on Chicago’s South Side
- Melon Express
- Shugapleez
  - Soulful and hearty meals available alongside gourmet truffles and an assortment of delicious desserts. Vegetarian-friendly. Located on Chicago’s South Side

Hyde Park

- Cedars Mediterranean Kitchen
  - Cedars prides itself on a traditional and healthy Mediterranean menu. Vegetarian-friendly
- Kilwin’s
  - Our heritage was built on the simple premise of creating our products from the finest ingredients and providing customers with great service. Kilwin’s is known for their fudge, caramel apples, truffles, and ice cream
- The Medici on 57th
  - Restaurant, bakery, and delicatessen: this diverse caterer provides well-known American favorites to meets the nourishment needs of its customers. Vegetarian-friendly
- Noodles Etc.
No matter the size of your event, Noodles’ catering team will create a menu that will accommodate any of your special occasions. Vegetarian-friendly

- **Rajun Cajun**
  - Rajun Cajun provides a unique Indian meal experience, combining traditional Indian dishes with Southern-style comfort food. Vegetarian-friendly

- **Shinju Sushi**
  - Traditional Japanese sushi menu with contemporary and western-style selections

- **The Snail Thai Cuisine**
  - We are dedicated to preparing delicious and wholesome traditional Thai cuisine, using the finest produce, seafood and meats

- **Thai 55**
  - The oldest authentic Thai restaurant in Hyde Park

**Cost-Effective**

- **Alonti**
  - An American breakfast, continental, and lunch provider that specializes in boxed lunches and sandwiches

- **Aramark**
  - An innovative food service vendor that offers dining solutions to the business and industry sector all the way to educational institutions

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- **Corky’s Catering**
  - Full-service catering for all events ranging from casual picnics to evening receptions and galas.

- **Corner Bakery**
  - American Deli in Style serving Breakfast to Lunch options including salads, soups, and sandwiches

- **Currency Exchange Café**
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- **Epic Catering**
  - American infused Italian and Mexican dishes available for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert

- **Fanfares by Faye**
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- Food for Thought
  - A new age catering company that provides café, contract dining and conference catering services for any type of event
- Hardy Boys
  - Blends contemporary urban sophistication with casual charm to provide tasty American dishes for all types of events
- Hyde Park Produce
  - American style with an international twist offering sandwich and party trays. Vegetarian-friendly. Located in Hyde Park
- Leona’s Neighborhood Restaurant
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- Melon Express
- The Nile
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• Wishbone
  o Full service catering providing good ole’ fashion southern dining

• Z&H Marketcafe
  o Café and deli specializing in a variety of homemade sandwiches. Vegetarian-friendly. Located in Hyde Park

**Bigger Budget**
• B’Gabs Goodies
  o Provides the soy- and gluten-free raw vegan foods which are packed with vitamins, enzymes, vegetable-based proteins and nutrients. Vegetarian/vegan-friendly. Located on Chicago’s South Side

• Big Delicious Planet
  o A 4 star certified “Green” restaurant serving vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free meals. Vegetarian/vegan-friendly.

• Blue Plate
  o Eco-conscious catering that provides a variety of upscale new-American foods. Vegetarian-friendly.

• Fig
  o Fast and flexible, personal service-oriented caterer to serve up fantastic food for more intimate gatherings. Vegetarian-friendly.

• Gold’n Pear

• Good Earth
  o Vegetarian-friendly.

• J+L
  o Original and exciting American cuisine with an international influence

• John Worthy
• Le Petite Folie
  o Located in Hyde Park
• Lenonis
• Limelight
  o Healthful food made from the freshest in-season ingredients for any type of
catering event. Vegetarian-friendly.
• Soul Vegan
  o Hearty plant based vegan meals cooked soulfully and with love.
  Vegetarian/vegan-friendly. Located on Chicago’s South Side
• Sun + Moon
  o We focus on the freshest and most seasonal ingredients available. We buy
  and source locally at every opportunity and our corporate catering menus are
  a reflection of what is seasonal and healthy and packed with flavor.

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- Sugar Bliss Cake Boutique
  - Bakes all cupcakes, cakes and cake pops from scratch using only the highest quality, natural ingredients. Owned by a UChicago alumna.