

BBQ is Bigger and Better in Texas

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Pork ribs, chili, chicken, and brisket on a cool day: It doesn't get any more Texan than that. Pair those fixings with ice cold margaritas and a strong Bloody Mary and you've got yourself the 32nd annual BBQ & Chili Cookoff at Traders Village Houston hosted on February 5th and 6th.

With the sun out and 50 degree weather, it was hard to not have a good time eating BBQ and ending the day with some shopping around the market.

Sponsored by the Houston Metro Go Texan Committee and Cypress Fairbanks Subcommittee of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Traders Village Houston invited cooks from everywhere to see not only who had the best BBQ in town, but also to give back to the Livestock show and Rodeo.

Giving back to the community is what Texans do best and according to [Rodeo Houston](#), the Houston Metro Go Texan Committee provides a large part of the money for some of the four-year Metropolitan scholarships awarded by the Show.

By sponsoring events such as the BBQ, Traders and Rodeo Houston was able to spread awareness about scholarships all while having a good time.

BBQ aside, The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is one of the largest scholarship providers in the country with more than 19,000 recipients to date, [Rodeo Houston](#) said.

Since winter will be coming to a close pretty soon, it seems fitting to raise money for students who are looking into prospective colleges and what better way to pair that than with classic southern dishes.

After a successful weekend of barbequing at Traders Village Houston, I guess we can say the cooks that came out and all the dishes prepared proved one thing: everything is truly bigger and better in Texas.