

Nana Baby Children's Home, Inc.  
Tunes and Taco Throw Down 2026

Taco Throw Down & Margarita Competition:  
OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please complete this form and return to [nanababy.BOB@gmail.com](mailto:nanababy.BOB@gmail.com)

Team/ Participant Name:

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**Category (choose one or more)**

*Teams may enter as many categories as they like.*

Best Fish Taco  
How many entries:

Best Meat Taco (Excluding Fish)  
How many entries:

Best Vegetarian Taco  
How many entries:

Best Margarita How many entries:

\*Surf and Turf counts as a meat taco.

Contact Person Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

If you need access to electricity, you will need to bring your own generator.

**All entries are due by October 30, 2026.**

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**Entry Rules**

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- A returned "Approved" Entry Form guarantees your place at the event. Vendors are to provide their own tables, tent (close to 10x10 in size), display materials, etc. No profanity or vulgar statements are allowed on booth display (it's for the kids!).
  - Competitors should be prepared to serve at least 200 portions for each category in which they compete. Taco portions should be small – closer to "bite size". Remember, you are competing on taste, not value!
  - Contestants are encouraged to demonstrate their creativity and may use alternatives as they see fit.
  - If having a hot station (grill, smoker, gas griddle, etc.) please advise staff at the time of entry so that we may organize booths appropriately.
  - Decorating your booth is encouraged. A prize will be provided for most decorative booth.
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**Official use only:**

**Entry: Approved / Disapproved**

## Margarita Competition: Rules & Regulations

*Kindly recall that upon submission of your margarita entry, you agreed to the Terms and Conditions of the event.*

Nana Baby Children's Home welcomes you to the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Taco Throw Down. By signing below, you are an official contestant.

PLEASE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS. PLEASE EMAIL [NANABABY.BOB@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NANABABY.BOB@GMAIL.COM) OR CALL 340-775-0044 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

### I. PREPARATION

- a. All contestants are responsible for providing everything they need for the event, including but not limited to:
  - i. Food/Margarita ingredients
  - ii. Staff
  - iii. Serving dishes, cups and accompaniment (napkins, etc.)
  - iv. Tent
  - v. Folding tables
  - vi. Cooler
  - vii. Grill (if needed)
  - viii. Ice
  - ix. Winning ticket collection box – clearly labeled and secure (not fly outs)
  - x. Banner/ signs (if desired)
- b. Feel free to dress or style your booth in a theme for most decorated booth

### II. TIMES AND LOCATION

- a. The event begins at 12:00 PM on Saturday, November 7, 2026, at Magens Bay, St Thomas, USVI
- b. The event ends at 5:00 PM
- c. 300 guests are estimated to attend

### III. DAY OF THE EVENT

- a. Arrive at least two hours prior to the event start time (12:00 PM). If you would like to come earlier, you may.
- b. Check in with Nana Baby Children's Home Staff – they will be wearing event T-shirts. You will be allowed to unload and then be directed where to park.
- c. Staff will show you where you can set up your booth. Please do not change locations.
- d. You will be assigned an area of approximately 12x12. If you require additional space, please reach out to us in advance so we can make proper arrangements.
- e. You are free to place any advertisements such as banners or menus/promotional items in your station. This is a family event, please keep that in mind. West Indies Company is a significant sponsor of this event. Tents bearing competitive branding will not be allowed; competitive brands on tents will need to be covered or removed. Please reach out if you have questions.

- f. Standard size tickets (1in. x 2 in.) will be used to pay for tacos, and margaritas – one ticket per margarita and per taco. No cash exchanges. Please place tickets into the appropriate jugs.
- g. If an event goer chooses to give your booth a winning taco or margarita ticket (they are custom made), it should be placed directly into a secure, labeled drop box at your booth that we will give you, and remain there. If you'd like to ring a bell/ or celebrate each time, go right ahead. These tickets are for the "People's Choice Award".
- h. Please be finished cleaning up, with all items packed and ready to leave the location by 6:00 PM.

#### IV. HEALTH DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS

- a. Cook and serve wearing gloves. Anyone who handles food **MUST** be wearing food service gloves. The Department of Health will likely inspect to ensure food safety procedures are being followed. We do ask that you have hand sanitizer available for your booth.
- b. Food requirements:
  - i. Meat must be at 35° F or less before cooking.
  - ii. Coolers with plenty of ice will keep it cold enough.
  - iii. After cooking the food, it should be placed in a covered container and maintained at a safe temperature until provided to customers.
  - iv. Cleanliness of the cook, assistants, and contestant area is required.
  - v. NO live animals are allowed in the cooking area. - This is grounds for disqualification.
  - vi. Each team **MUST** have hand cleaning capabilities.

#### V. CONTEST

- a. **Categories**
  - i. **Fish Taco** – To compete in this category, the primary protein ingredient of your slider must be seafood.
  - ii. **Meat Taco** – Beef, chicken, pork, etc. will be allowed in this category.
  - iii. **Vegetarian Taco** – You must serve a truly vegetarian taco (no meat, fish, animal fats or animal products may be used to prepare any entry in this category).
  - iv. **Best Margarita** –
  - v. **Crowd Favorite** – All booths are automatically entered to win this category for each of their entries.
- b. **For all categories** - There are no restrictions on Margarita ingredients or taco toppings or condiments; however, all taco entries must be served as a taco. All taco entries. Entrants should also be prepared to disclose ingredients to guests who ask, as they may be inquiring due to allergy concerns. \*Surf and turf is including in the Meat Category.
- c. Allergens – if you are using a product that is a common allergen (peanuts, shellfish, etc.) we ask that you clearly label that in some way where you are serving tacos.
- d. Attendees who purchase \$25 worth of tickets at a time will be given a **People's Choice Award ticket**. This ticket is to be used as the vote for their favorite margarita or taco in the competition. The Winning Ticket is a **vote only**. It should not be redeemed for a

**margarita or taco.** Attendees will be encouraged to sample a number of tacos and margaritas, prior to making a selection.

- e. In the unlikely event of a tie between two or more entrants, the overall regular ticket count will determine the winner. Do not touch, lose or get rid of your tickets.
- f. Have your ticket collection drop box, CLEARLY LABELED, for winning tickets, out on display at all times. Do not remove tickets from your drop box.
- g. Winning Tickets will be collected by an Official Nana Baby Children’s Home representative at 4:00 PM.
- h. The booth with the most “People’s Choice Award tickets” wins the popular vote. It is possible for one booth to win more than one category. Each category is counted separately.
- i. 4 additional winners will be chosen, separate from the popular vote – **Best Fish taco, meat taco (excluding fish), vegetarian taco, and Margarita. The prize for best Fish taco is and a trophy, the prize for best Meat taco is and a trophy, the prize for best Vegetarian Taco is and a trophy, and the prize for best Margarita is a trophy,** All winning categories also come with a cash prize. You will submit a taco and/or a margarita from your entered categories when request by official event staff – the taco should be in an unmarked plate (provided by event staff). The margarita should be in an unmarked cup (provided by event staff). All entries will be judged blindly by a panel of **three expert judges**. Tacos and Margaritas will be judged in a staggered pattern to ensure freshness for the judges.
- j. Please refrain from giving tacos and margaritas away at any time. This will influence the validity of the event and charitable nature.
- k. Tacos and Margaritas can remain on sale until 5:00 or until you run out of materials.
- l. All Winners will be announced at 4:30 PM – if your booth wins a category, you/ your team will be called to the stage to collect your prize and take a photograph.

**VI. WITHDRAW**

- a. If for any reason, you will not be able to attend the event, and need to withdraw, please let Nana Bay Children’s Home staff know immediately. To withdraw, please call 540-840-9858 or 340-775-0044. Kindly provide a reason for withdrawing.

Attached is a Release and Indemnity **waiver** that we will need an authorized representative for your team to sign, as well as this **Official Rules & Standards**.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tunes & Taco Throw Down Benefiting Nana Baby Children’s Home, Inc. at Magens Bay, St. Thomas, USVI – Saturday, November 7, 2026 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, for myself and any who may claim through me, including my employees, agents, assistants, heirs, successors or assigns (together, “ME”), in consideration of the privilege of participating in “**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tunes & Taco Throw Down**” (the

“Event”), hereby assume all risk of personal injury or damage to ME, and forever release, waive and discharge **Nana Baby Children’s Home, Inc., Magen’s Bay, St. Thomas, USVI**, and any of their parent, subsidiary and affiliated entities, their respective shareholders, officers, directors, agents, employees, volunteers, promoters, sponsors, and assigns, and the **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tunes & Taco Throw Down Committee**, every member of such Committee individually, all workers, volunteers, Sponsors, donors, and anyone else, individual or organization, in charge of or connected with the Event (all of the preceding parties being referred to together as the “Released Parties”).

This Release applies to any and all liability or expense (including defense costs, legal fees and claims for damages of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any claim of loss or damage to property or death or injury to persons) arising out of the setup, operation, maintenance, or break down of the Event, including but not limited to (i) food borne illness arising from the preparation or ingestion of any product served at the event, (ii) any act or failure to act in furtherance of Event operations, or (iii) any other claims that might arise between ME and the Released Parties in connection with said Event.

I further release and agree to indemnify the Released Parties from all claims or liability from any accident, injury, damage or loss incurred or suffered by ME, anyone in my charge or care, or any third parties in connection with the Event, no matter what the nature of such claims (which include costs, charges, expenses, legal fees, or any other loss or expense incurred by the Released Parties), which claims result from acts by ME, whether such acts were intentional, accidental or negligent, which caused or contributed to the cause of such accident, injury, damage or loss incurred or suffered. By signing this release, the risk for any damage or injury of any nature which may result from any source whatsoever during the event is expressly assumed by ME.

I certify that I have read and understood this Release and agree to all terms and conditions contained in such documents on behalf of myself and my team members.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_