**The 36th Annual**

**Great FIGGY PUDDING**

**Caroling Competition ™**

**and Fundraiser.**

***Now happening in the heart of Pike Place Market!***

 **Friday, December 2nd**

# **Benefiting**

# **Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank.**

# **2022 TEAM REGISTRATION PACKET**

# Register by October 31 to receive the early bird registration fee

For additional information or questions, please contact:

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##### **FIGGY FUNDRAISING**

## **Why are we raising money?**

For the past 35 years, The Great Figgy Pudding Caroling Competition and Fundraiser has raised well over 1M dollars for the Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank, which was founded in 1978. Hundreds of volunteers and Figgy carolers have teamed up to support the Senior Center and Food Bank as they help low-income adults and families experiencing food insecurity, inadequate nutrition, homelessness, social isolation and lack of opportunity.

As evidenced by the loyal support of the perennial caroling teams, The Great Figgy Pudding has remained strong during the pandemic. Figgy may have looked a little different during the past two years, but enthusiastic fans have made sure that support for the Senior Center and Food Bank has continued.

**Grocery, Nutrition, Social Service, and Social Connection Support at Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank**

Every day, the Senior Center welcomes a large community of individuals who are at least 55 years of age and invites them to participate in a social network of services for their minds, bodies and spirits. We offer nutritional support through nutritionally balanced breakfast and lunch, social services and wellness activities, while engaging our members within the Senior Center setting as well as the greater Seattle community.

In 2021 the Senior Center served 56,906 hot meals ( breakfast and lunch 7 days a week). This included persons served inside the center and those preferring to receive a meal at the front door.

The Food Bank operates with a small staff and many dedicated volunteers. In addition to grocery shopping, and a robust home delivery service, Food Bank clients are offered outreach services. The Food Bank serves individuals of all ages.

In 2021 the Food Bank had 51,300 visits, including those who visited in person for regular or no-cook bags or who had bags of groceries delivered.

**This year, we hope Figgy Pudding will raise over $100,000 to meet the increasing needs for good nutrition for individuals experiencing food insecurity and poor nutrition.**

**Through your support of The Great Figgy Pudding Caroling Competition and Fundraiser, you can help increase the Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank’s capacity to offer our life-sustaining services.**

**For more information go to**

**www.pmsc-fb.org**

**Facebook: Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank**

**FIGGY Q & A**

**THE 36th ANNUAL GREAT FIGGY PUDDING CAROLING COMPETITION**

Friday, December 2nd in Pike Place Market

4:00pm-6:00pm Team check-in

6:00pm – Introduction of Warm 106.9 fm emcees and announcements

6:15pm-7:15pm Caroling teams compete on the cobblestones.

7:30pm-8:30pm Main Stage Sing-Off and Award Presentations

**WHAT IS THE GREAT FIGGY PUDDING CAROLING COMPETITION?**

Figgy Pudding is a 36 year oldfundraiser for the Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank. Figgy Pudding attracts crowds of almost 10,000 people with approximately 35 caroling teams participating! The Caroling Teams raise 70% of Figgy Fundraising **before** the event. They solicit donations from co-workers, friends or family in a variety of ways. On Figgy Friday there are multiple opportunities to raise additional money. Money that is raised before the event is called *Figlanthropy.* It is true that Figgy Pudding is a popular destinations event, but it is first and foremost a fundraiser.

Proceeds from The Great Figgy Pudding support this 44 year-old organization in its mission to improve the lives and meet the needs of the seniors and hungry people living in downtown Seattle.

This year we hope to raise $100,000. We want to raise as much money as possible for the Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank. The money will ensure that we can meet the growing need for weekly groceries and daily nutritious meals.

**DO I HAVE TO SING WELL IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE?**

Nope! You can be a beginner or an opera singer; it is only important to raise money and have fun.

**HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?**Recruit five or more carolers to form your team, designate a Team Captain, go to [www.pmsc-fb/figgy](http://www.pmsc-fb/figgy) **to register on line**. If you prefer you can fill out the application in this packet and mail in your team’s registration fee. Before October 31st, the registration is $65, after this date the fee is $75. Make your team’s check payable to *Pike* *Market Senior Center*. ***Be sure to include the registration form****.* Once we receive your registration fee we will set up your online fundraising webpage. You will also receive a caroling team captain handbook.

**HOW DO I RAISE Figlanthropy money?**

Simply ask your friends, family and co-workers to donate to your caroling team. We’ve made it **REALLY** **easy** through online giving. Each team can have its own fundraising page that you can personalize. Don’t forget to ask your company to match your fundraising! On the day of the competition, you’ll have a chance to raise even more money as you sing your hearts out for this good cause. Your team leader packet has ideas for fund raising.

**HOW DOES THE CAROLING COMPETITION WORK?**

1. Sign up and pay your registration fee. (Remember: the fee increases on November 1st)

2. Ask friends, family, businesses, and coworkers for donations. Organize fund raising events.

3. Practice your carols.

4. On December 2nd starting at 4pm check in at the Welcome Table in Pike Place Market. Bring your cash donations, collect your sign, balloons and Get Figgy With It donation box.

At 6:00 pm, go to your designated caroling spot and at 6:15 begin singing your hearts out! Awards will be given out from 7:30-8:30 at the Main Stage under the famous Market Clock.

##### **FIGGY AWARDS**

**WHAT ARE THE AWARDS?**

1. **COMPETITION TEAM AWARDS**.
Figlanthropy Awards
* Awards are given to the three teams who raise the most money. These teams are invited to sing on stage.

People’s Choice Award

* Spectators vote for their favorite team. Ballots are available at registration table. The top two teams compete on Main stage in a sing off

**If your team raises $1,000.00 or more, you are eligible to be judged by the famous Figgy Pudding Judges in the following categories:**

* Most Creative Performance
* Best Choral Performance

The top two teams from both the “Most Creative Performance” and the “Best Choral Performance” will perform on the Main Stage in a sing off.

1. **GET FIGGY WITH IT.** A prize is given to the team that collects the most money in its team box during the one hour of caroling that takes place between 6:15 and 7:15 pm.

##### **Figgy Pudding 2**022

**Team Registration Form**

**Return with registration payment ($65 through October 31st and $75 after)**

*I hereby grant permission to Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank to use photographs taken at The Great Figgy Pudding Caroling Competition and to use the photographs on its website or in other official publications, without further consideration; and I acknowledge that PMSC-DTFB has the right to crop or treat photographs at its discretion.* I release and hold Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank harmless for any loss, injury, or other wrong that may occur while participating in Figgy Pudding.

Team Leader Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Team Fundraising Goal:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Team Members** *(Please make additional copies if needed)*

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Send completed registration with a check payable to *Pike Market Senior Center* to:

 Pike Market Senior Center

Attn: Figgy Pudding

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