



The Clover  
Pick A Bowl  
Fill A Bowl

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Get tickets NOW for Manna's 2024 Clover Pick A Bowl Fill A Bowl fundraiser**

*Event will sell-out; Discounted online sales close Feb. 29*

**Pensacola, FL** (February 26, 2024) – Discounted tickets to the 2024 Clover Pick A Bowl Fill A Bowl – Manna Food Bank's only major annual fundraiser – are going fast! The event is expected to sell-out! Online ticket sales close Thursday, February 29, at Noon.

This unique event with an artsy twist that features the work of local artists and the fare of local vendors will be held on Friday, March 1, from 6-8 p.m., at the Lou Ross Center of Pensacola State College. Pre-sale tickets are \$50 apiece (\$60 day-of) and entitle the event-goer to their choice of a one-of-a-kind, handcrafted clay bowl thrown by a local potter, samples of some of the best soups in town, wine and beer (must be 21 or older), and a few special features. Each ticket sold will provide 30 healthy meals for neighbors in need in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties.

The event is made possible by the faculty, students, and friends of the Pensacola State College Visual Arts Department and First City Art Center, local artists, businesses, and vendors providing sponsorships and donations of art, food, beverages and other in-kind goods and services.

Restaurants and food vendors represented this year include Apple Market, Azalea Trace, Blackwater Bistro, Classic City Catering, The Farm, The Grand Marlin, Khon's on Palafox, Mr. Pollo Pensacola, Nouveau Pastries & Catering, Pensacola Yacht Club, Steel Pony Diner, The Ticket, WEAR ABC 3 News – Bob Solarski, and Where Y'at Seafood.

The event's Porcelain sponsors are Cat Country 98.7, Margie and Alan Moore, Northwest Florida AC, and WEAR ABC 3.

For event tickets and more information, please visit [www.mannahelps.org](http://www.mannahelps.org).

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**About The Clover Pick A Bowl Fill A Bowl**

The event was established in 2006 at Pensacola State College under the direction of Dona Usry, former Manna Guild Member and PSC Board Member; Krist Lien, District Department Head of the Visual Arts Department; Dr. Jim Martin, former PSC Vice President of Administration; and Bill Clover, Visual Arts Professor. For the first two years, the fundraiser was called Throw A Bowl, and guests were invited to make their own bowls under the guidance of the Visual Arts Department. In 2008, the fundraiser changed to two events - Pick A Bowl and Fill A Bowl – and in 2017, the two events became one, Pick A Bowl Fill A Bowl. Professor Bill Clover, his students, other faculty members, and local artists from First City Arts Center contributed thousands of hours and created thousands of bowls for the events. In 2018, after Bill Clover passed away, the event was renamed The Clover Pick A Bowl Fill A Bowl in honor and memory of his commitment to the fundraiser that combines his passion for art and his dedication to the community.

**About Manna**

Manna’s mission is to offer emergency food assistance, service the food-related needs of vulnerable populations, and engage the entire community in the fight against hunger. A local grassroots organization with no national affiliation or government funding, Manna provided food to 86,890 people last year. Manna operates an emergency food distribution pantry and 17 specialty programs with 24 community partners in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties.