Expanded Outdoor Dining – DOs and DON’Ts

It is critical that our efforts to reopen do not reverse the health accomplishments we have made. Please adhere to these DOs and DON’Ts to make sure your Expanded Outdoor Dining Area follows the rules of the program.

✔ DO: Keep tables 6 feet apart and wear face coverings when not eating or drinking
Follow all of the guidelines in the Food Service and Bars industry guidelines.

✔ DO: Sign up for alerts
Text CHIBIZ to 6-7-2-8-3 to sign up for CHIBIZ Emergency Alerts.

✔ DO: Pour/mix all drinks inside
Do not set up a bar outside- all drinks must be prepared within the licensed establishments.

✔ DO: Provide security and waste removal
Take proactive security measures to ensure patrons aren’t openly consuming outside of dining areas.

✔ DO: Post guidance throughout the area
Health Department guidance and place proper signage throughout which can be found here.

✔ DO: Train your staff on COVID-19 guidelines
Ensure that your employees and patrons following the guidelines.

✗ DON’T: Allow more than 6 at a table
Follow all of the guidelines in the Food Service and Bars industry guidelines.

✗ DON’T: Allow BYOB
The only alcohol allowed in the area must be served by the participating establishments to patrons seated at tables. No consumption of any alcohol purchased to-go from any establishment is permitted within an Expanded Outdoor Dining area.

✗ DON’T: Allow a “Street Festival” atmosphere
Consumption of food or alcohol should only occur while patrons are seated at designated seating areas.

✗ DON’T: Serve drinks to patrons while they wait for the table
Alcohol should only be served to patrons while they are seated at designated tables for participating establishments.

✗ DON’T: Add non-dining seating
No other seating (picnic tables, benches) can be added to the Expanded Outdoor Dining area except those used by participating establishments to serve patrons.

✗ DON’T: Provide entertainment
No bands, DJs, or other forms of loud entertainment. Nuisance activity is disruptive to the community and will be enforced.