



In 2004, First Slice delivered over 1,400 meals each month to people in need. Its service to the hungry, homeless, and disenfranchised individuals in Chicago has been acknowledged by Mayor Richard Daley, the Chicago *Tribune*, and IBM.

First Slice is a first-of-its-kind community-based kitchen in which volunteers and a small professional staff work together to prepare meals. We provide access to wholesome food for those living in poverty by bringing together community subscribers, homeless individuals and families to share in the preparation of nutritious meals. First Slice pays for its outreach to those in need through the support of its paying subscribers.

your chef

Mary Ellen Diaz is the founder of the innovative concept of First Slice. A former student of Le Cordon Bleu in Paris, l'Ecole des Arts Culinaires in Lyon, and Madeleine Kamman's School for American Chefs at Beringer Vineyards in Napa Valley, Diaz achieved three-star ratings for her cuisine at both Printer's Row in 1996 and North Pond Café in 1998. After three years of creating new dishes for Richard Melman of Lettuce Entertain You restaurants, Diaz reassessed her goals and discovered a better way to share her knowledge in cooking and in life.

subscriptions

Family Subscriptions include three meals per week for a family of three. 12 weeks are \$45 per week, payable by month (\$180) or in full (\$540).

Individual Subscriptions include three meals per week at \$25 per week. Full payment is \$300.

Senior Subscriptions include smaller portions of three weekly meals at \$20 per week. Full payment is \$240.

First Slice welcomes tax-deductible contributions. For more information visit www.firstslice.org. To reserve your To Your Table subscription or to make a contribution, please contact 773.506.1719



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3 MEALS A WEEK
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3 COURSES FOR
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3 FAMILY MEMBERS

to your TABLE

Imagine restaurant-quality
meals in your home,
prepared and ready for you
to enjoy with your family.
No fussing. No preparation.
No time out of your day.



feed your family

Spinach, lentil, and feta strudel. Shredded chicken burritos with salsa verde and smashed black beans. Roasted salmon with spicy Thai red curry, spicy teriyaki cauliflower and mushrooms.

Using the highest quality ingredients from local purveyors, First Slice provides To Your Table subscribers with delicious gourmet dinners three times per week. Imagine the time saved, time to share with your family. Imagine a week with First Slice.

feed your community

Not only do you get the experience of sharing a meal, a conversation, and time to enjoy your family, but you also know that your dollars go to feeding the homeless in Chicago. For every one subscriber, First Slice provides food for twenty hungry and needy people. They receive the same nourishing, high-quality dinners that you do, from soup to pie—a simple aspect of the program that represents our commitment to serving all people and gives hope for a better future.

feed your soul

Food is more than just nutrition. It's about sharing—conversation, community, and a common, essential need that brings us together. First Slice welcomes you to share a meal with us and become a subscriber—on either a family or an individual basis. We encourage you to visit our kitchen and help us serve meals to over 100 homeless and hungry people per day.



A SAMPLING OF THE MEALS SERVED:

Italian chopped salad:

mix of Romaine lettuce and local greens, fresh tomatoes, black olives, garlic croutons and Parmesan cheese tossed in a red wine vinaigrette

Spinach and butternut squash lasagna
with mushroom and roasted red pepper dip

Chocolate peanut-butter pie