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**STONE TEMPLE PILOTS & ALICE IN CHAINS HEADLINE**  
**2010 DC101 CHILI COOK-OFF BENEFITING THE**  
**NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION AT RFK STADIUM**

*Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 26 and can be purchased at RFK Stadium Box Office from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Mon-Fri or Ticketmaster outlets*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – DC101’s Elliot in the Morning, the [National Kidney Foundation Serving the National Capital Area](#) and the [Washington Convention and Sports Authority](#) announced today that rock legends **Stone Temple Pilots** and **Alice in Chains** will headline the 31<sup>st</sup> annual DC101 Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, May 22 on the RFK Stadium Festival Grounds. The event, D.C.’s biggest one-day rock festival, is expected to raise \$1.6 million to benefit the National Kidney Foundation Serving the National Capital Area.

Growing in stature and gaining momentum every year, the DC101 Chili Cook-Off is the biggest one-day fundraiser for the National Kidney Foundation nationwide. Last year’s Cook-Off attracted 30,000 people and raised over \$1.5 million dollars to support the Foundation’s programs in research, patient services, professional and public education, and organ donation awareness.

In addition to the Stone Temple Pilots and Alice in Chains, the lineup of bands for Chili Cook-Off 2010 are national recording artists **Cage the Elephant**, **Switchfoot**, and **Anberlin**.

Tickets go on sale Friday, March 26 at 10 a.m. Tickets are \$35 in advance general admission and \$200 for limited VIP tickets, which include complimentary beer, soda, water, private port-a-johns, and elevated view of the stage. **Tickets are available at Ticketmaster outlets with applicable service charges or at the RFK Stadium Box Office Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. ONLY with no service charge.** Tickets are \$55 at the gate the day of the Chili Cook-Off.

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Preston A. Englert, Jr., Division President of the National Kidney Foundation Serving the National Capital Area said, "We are indebted to DC101 for the decades of support they have provided. The Chili Cook-Off is a significant fundraiser that helps support programs such as research that leads to medical breakthroughs, our patient emergency fund, and free early detection screenings for at-risk members of our community. This is crucial because the Washington, D.C. area leads the nation in the prevalence of kidney disease."

True to its name, the Chili Cook-Off features an intense competition between 101 chili cooks in four categories: Red Chili, Green Chili, Freestyle, and Salsa. The 2009 Red Chili winner, Trevor Bothwell, went on to win the People's Choice Award at the World Championship Cook-Off in Charleston, West Virginia in October 2009. **Among the celebrity judges at Chili Cook-Off 2010 will be Washington Redskins tight end Chris Cooley, quarterback Colt Brennan, and safety Reed Doughty, whose son received a kidney transplant in March 2008.**

"This year's Chili Cook-Off lineup is stellar and a must see!," said DC101 Program Director Dave Wellington. "We look forward to over 30,000 fans coming together on May 22<sup>nd</sup> for one special day to help so many in need."

The RFK Stadium Festival Grounds are hosting the event for the second consecutive year. "We couldn't be more pleased with the first year of our partnership as we had record attendance and monies raised for a worthy cause," said Erik A. Moses, Managing Director of WCSA's Sports, Entertainment and Special Events Division. "This event has evolved into one of the region's most anticipated events. Not only is there a great talent lineup but plenty of good chili as well."

RFK Stadium is easily accessible by the Metro on the Blue and Orange lines (Stadium-Armory station) and numerous bus lines. Secured parking is also available.

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