On July 30, 2008 the UW Business Diversity Program hosted its first annual catering event, showcasing local businesses that are small, minority, and women owned. Represented were:

- Precise Catering
- That Brown Girl Catering
- Gourmondo Catering
- Design Perfect Too
- Villa Victoria Catering
- Four Seas Restaurant
- Le Fournil
- Willie’s BBQ
- Bay Laurel
- Madres Inc.
- Mama’s Brown Bag
- Ray’s Boat House
- Jewel Catering

The Business Diversity Program (BDP) is committed to ensuring that vendors, suppliers, service providers, consultants, architects, engineers, and contractors who serve the University reflect the diversity of the Washington State business community. The Program helps strengthen the economic development and viability of small, minority and women owned businesses and helps to ensure that the University receives quality goods and services at competitive prices.

This event, which was organized by Shaun Spearmon and Lynn Beck of the BDP, gave attendees an opportunity to better understand these caterers’ capabilities and become educated about the wide variety of food options available to them when hosting UW sponsored events.

With an overwhelming number of attendees agreeing that the catering event was a worthwhile opportunity to meet new caterers for their college/school or department, this annual event proved to be a great success for the University community, as well as the catering business community.

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