

12 Ways to Save Money with Catering by Davians

*Are you planning a party on a budget?
Are you concerned about how much everything will cost?*

We at Catering by Davians understand that our customers must work with a budget when planning a catered event. While we will continue to provide exceptional service and impeccable food, we would also like to help you with some cost saving ideas.

1. Order In

Would you like to reward your employees' successes, celebrate the holidays, or simply enjoy a catered lunch at the office? By ordering lunch with Catering by Davians, you will be able to celebrate without the added cost of going to a venue or restaurant.

2. Skip the Floral

Decorations can take up a significant part of your event budget. Skipping the floral and instead using colorful linen options and our in-house decorations will save you tons money. If you are hosting a buffet event, Catering by Davians has a wide variety of themed décor to suite almost any party at no extra cost to you. Just speak with one of our event coordinators for more details.

3. R.S.V.P.

Having an accurate guest count is essential to successful event planning. No matter what type of event you are planning, asking your guests to R.S.V.P. will save you money and time. If you are still puzzled as to how many guests will attend, please ask our event coordinators for guidance.

4. Customize Your Menu

If you have something else in mind than what you see on our website, please call our event coordinators for a personalized menu and quote to fit your budget and needs.

5. Choose Carry Out Instead of Delivery

We are open Monday-Friday from 6am to 5pm and Saturday from 11am - 6pm. There is no minimum order and no order too large. We can prepare practically any menu item for carry out. You can even pick your order up a day early with our heat-and-serve option. Just ask our event coordinators how!

6. Just Add-On to Your Event

Are you planning on cooking for your private event or hosting a potluck at work? You can always place an order for individual menu items from our carry out menu. For a small additional fee, we can even deliver to your home or place of business.

7. Eliminate the Cocktails

For some parties, the bar bill can be just as much as the food cost forcing customers to cut back in other areas. One alternative includes hosting cocktails for a specific amount of time with a cash bar following. For some events, a ticket system may be appropriate. You may also want to consider eliminating the liquor and serve only beer, wine and soda. Ask your event coordinator for some bar service options and packages.

8. Upgraded Disposable Verses China

If you want to dress your event up without the added cost of china and staff, ask our event coordinators today about our “Upgraded Disposables” option. You will be able to save time and money but still throw a very dressy party.

9. Skip Hiring the Event Coordinator

Catering by Davians has a team of professional event coordinators to not only assist with your catering needs, but to also coordinate rentals, linen, venues, floral, centerpieces, and china. If you need hotel, entertainment, or transportation, our event coordinators can also give you recommendations on local vendors in the area. The best part is our event coordinators’ expertise is complimentary to all customers.

10. More Guests = Savings!

Are you planning a party for more than 200 guests? Call us today for a personalized quote.

11. Dinner verses Hors d’oeuvres Myth

If you are hosting a special occasion event, you may have considered serving “Heavy Hors d’oeuvres” instead of serving dinner to your guests to save on the catering. However, if your event is hosted around dinner time, you may need to order twice the amount of hors d’oeuvres than you were originally planning. Ask our event coordinators if you would like more information on cost saving menus.

12. Customize Your Add-Ons

Remember that some caterers group everything together in their pricing including the staff, linen, china and décor. We understand that you may want to shop around for the best price on these items. Catering by Davians also offers “a la carte” pricing for customers who would like to utilize only some of our services. We never require that you use us for rentals, linen, china or staff, but only offer these as additional services to make your party planning easier.