



April 5, 2024

DJ Vincent, Executive Director
Church at the Park

Dear Mr. Vincent,

James 2 Community Kitchen Board of Directors has agreed to be a resource to the Church at the Park proposed transitional housing project in Dallas.

James 2 Community Kitchen is a private non-profit, all-volunteer agency operating in Dallas for over the last 15 years. In the beginning, we provided a free, dining room based sit-down meal at two locations each week in Dallas. Our mission was and is to not only provide food, but to provide a sense of community for our guests. The Covid epidemic changed our operation, and for the past several years our model became a "drive through/take-out" system. At the height, we were providing well over 300 free meals each week as our guests navigated the parking lot at the Dallas United Methodist Church.

We have recently returned to our original mission. We now offer a free sit-down, join-your-neighbors kind of meal in the dining room of the Dallas United Methodist Church. We have an army of volunteers who purchase food, cook, serve, and clean up each and every week. While we cannot serve the same number we served in the drive-through, we are committed to returning to our original mission that involves creating a sense of community by breaking bread and getting to know our neighbors.

James 2 serves those who have plenty and those who have nothing. All are a part of this community, and are welcome.

The Board of James 2 Community Kitchen has agreed to be a resource for our once weekly free meal for those residents of the transitional housing project as well as be a resource for volunteer opportunities as those become available.

We look forward to future conversations as the project progresses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy Spear", is written over the typed name.

Kathy Spear
James 2 Community Kitchen
Board of Directors