

engaging our community:

Food & Friends Curb Cut

Mission of Food & Friends:

To improve the lives and health of people with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses that limit their ability to provide nourishment for themselves by:

- preparing and delivering specialized meals and groceries that are designed to meet the medical and dietary needs of each of our clients;
- providing nutritional counseling and wellness education that enhances our clients' quality of life; and
- creating a strong sense of community for both our clients and volunteers that reduces the social isolation that often comes with serious illnesses and provides meaningful opportunities for neighbors to help neighbors in need.



Project Overview:

Food & Friends is excited to introduce plans for a curb cut project aimed at enhancing accessibility, improving the flow of traffic, and increasing traffic safety around our building at 219 Riggs Rd. NE. This initiative underscores our commitment to staying in the neighborhood as a bedrock nonprofit while serving more adults and children with life-challenging illnesses.

The proposed project for a curb cut on South Dakota Avenue NE improves Food & Friends' site accessibility. Neighborhood safety will be increased as speed is reduced, a solution that helps meet the neighborhood's much requested traffic safety fixes at a congested intersection and the site of a planned neighborhood park.

We will engage the community respectfully and transparently throughout the project's lifecycle, ensuring that community input is valued, as we do every day with our clients.

Project Timeline:

- April 28, 2024: Curb cut application filed
- TBD: Public hearing for curb cut application
- May 13, 2024: Meeting with SMD 5A09 Commissioner Bocoum
- May 22, 2024: Meeting with ANC 5A community
- June 6, 2024: Meeting with LRCA community
- June 17, 2024: Meeting with SMD 5A09 community

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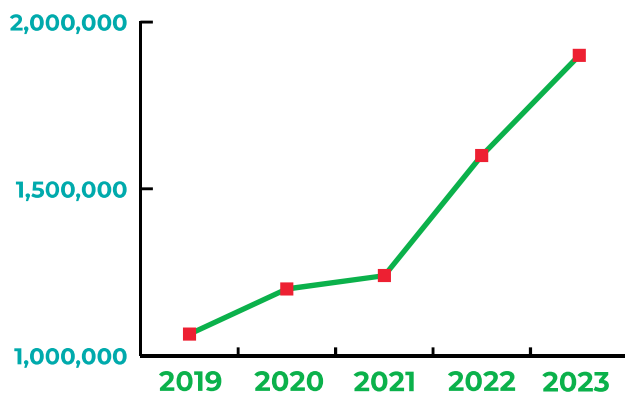
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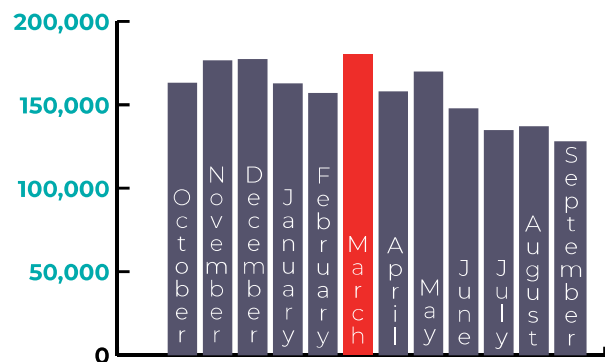
2023 impact snapshot

Together, we are neighbors helping neighbors. Thanks to our community, Food & Friends has successfully responded to surging demand for medically tailored meals and groceries from adults and children with life-challenging illnesses throughout D.C., Maryland, and Northern Virginia. With your support, we have increased our annual meal production by 75% in a period of just four years.

Increase in medically tailored meals home-delivered per year 2019-2023:



Medically tailored meals being home-delivered per month in FY 2023:



Food & Friends is built on a simple premise: anyone can get sick, and everyone can help.

In FY 2023, Food & Friends home-delivered 1,900,000 medically tailored meals to 5,500 seriously ill individuals in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia. Our clients have a range of illnesses including cancer, diabetes, renal disease, HIV/AIDS, maternal health concerns, and heart disease.



1,900,000
meals delivered
to residents
in the region
(841,736 in D.C.)



5,500
clients
live in
the region
(2,437 in D.C.)



2,238
nutrition sessions
with our registered
dietitians
(970 in D.C.)



4,000
volunteers
live in
the region
(330 in D.C.)



65%
of all households
served have income
less than \$1500/month
(76% in D.C.)

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