

"...one of every five Chicago residents is uncertain where their next meal will come from..."

-Chicago Sun Times

"...one in seven Chicagoans still lack access to healthy food."

-Bloomberg Businessweek on Mari Gallagher's report

Proposal for architectural services by food.empowerment.design (f.e.d.) food.empowerment.design, hereafter referred to as (f.e.d.), is inviting proposals from non-profits and community organizations whose missions include helping the hungry.

Services provided:

(f.e.d.) provides support through all forms of design: architecture, graphics, landscaping, planning, research, and interiors. In doing so, we intend to accomplish facilities needs assessment, capital campaign management, building and space planning, accessibility and code compliance, and environmentally sound design in constructing a commercial kitchen or idea thereof, helping to provide food and empowerment to organizations and individuals.

The specifics:

(f.e.d.) will work in partnership with your organization and will provide agreed upon design services to allow your organization to raise capital to fund construction and architectural services for a project. At the completion of your capital campaign, your organization will provide monetary compensation to (f.e.d.) based on a previously negotiated design fee. (f.e.d.) will then bring the project from basic programming and schematic design to construction documents for permits. (f.e.d.) will observe construction through completion, or other decided on deliverables.

Partnership:

(f.e.d.) wants to offer design services to help develop your organization, no matter its size. We maintain the drive to work with you to complete a project that makes sense for you. We strive to create lasting relationships and serve in partnership with organizations to achieve their goals of ending hunger. Working in partnership, we will work to achieve (f.e.d.)'s monetary compensation for the agreed upon deliverables, whether that means assisting in grants or other forms of assistance if needed. (f.e.d.) will get to know you and your community to understand your values. No vision is too great or small; everything starts with the first step. Let's work together to put an end to hunger.

Who we are:

(f.e.d.) is a mission-based non-profit with the motto that better design = more people fed. Our mission is to provide time, guidance, and assistance to all who care for the hungry through a collaborative network of individuals, with the focus on helping to design and construct facilities and programs that empower and nourish the community.

We aim to reflect the commitment and passion of the people who run these havens for the hungry through collaboration with local communities, other nonprofits, and charitable organizations by assisting them in continuing their missions of social good.

We strive toward a tangible exchange in the world by bringing the basic necessities to all by using design as the vessel of transformation and a celebration of life.

Our history:

(f.e.d.) was founded in 2012 by Joe Junius and Chris Curran of Aria Group Architects, Inc., a Chicago area architecture and design firm specializing in hospitality. Together we have over 13 years of experience working with many restaurateurs and consultants in designing and constructing restaurants around the country. This has provided us with an in-depth knowledge of the spacial and technical elements that make successful restaurants and kitchens work.

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Please include the following information:

Name of Organization:

Description of Project:

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