

Jubilee FOOD MARKET

...a Mission Waco project

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“Fixer Upper’s” Chip & Joanna Gaines To Donate Last 5% of Jubilee Food Market Renovation Goal

Their \$28,906 Gift To Come from Auction of Contents of Elite Cafe



A gift of \$28,906 from an upcoming auction of the historic Elite Restaurant’s contents promises to bless Mission Waco’s Jubilee Food Market and all those who will someday shop in the non-profit grocery store. The Gaines’ purchased last May the 97 year-old cafe on Waco’s Circle but have yet to announce their long term plans for the cafe. The HGTV’s reality TV stars have been encouragers of Mission Waco’s work to empower the poor and marginalized. As committed Christians, deeply embedded in Waco’s community life, they wanted their success to bless all of the residents who live in Waco, not just those who shop at the Magnolia Silos or enjoy their successful TV show. The Jubilee Food Mkt is currently being renovated with hopes that it will open later in the fall. This generous gift will complete an eight month effort to raise \$488,000 for store remodeling. Mission Waco celebrates Chip and Joanna’s compassionate gift as we do our own “fixer upper.” **THANK YOU!**

FIXER+UPPER



Phase 2 In Full Swing:
Raise \$25,000 More for Food Inventory To Fill the Jubilee Food Mkt. By Oct 1

For the last several weeks the volunteer food team of the store has been meeting with suppliers, farms, and wholesalers to determine what kinds of food and how much is needed to fill the shelves. All three men have years of experience in Krogers, Family Dollar and Walmart purchasing. The 6500 sq’ Jubilee Food Mkt will need 4000 sq’ for food and a limited amount of non-food items, estimated roughly at \$75,000 for the initial inventory. Generous financial gift from Ann and Roane Lacy and Patty and Billy Davis have provided \$30,000 toward that goal. The City of Waco recently passed their 2016-17 budget which included \$20,000 to help alleviate this food desert. With all these funds, the store needs one-third more, or \$25,000, to have the shelves full. If you are interested in buying OASIS Stock (\$25 per share) to invest in the neighborhood, consider designating your gift to the food fund.

Profile of the “Near Northside Neighborhood”

Although current accurate data lags behind changing realities, previous facts gathered for 2013 in Census Tract 001200, where many of the Jubilee Food Mkt residents live, show that:

- 44.26% live in poverty
- 12.3-15 % have diabetes
- 30.93%-37/97% have high blood pressure
- 35.66% have high cholesterol
- 33.56% are obese
- 15.65% eat less than 1 serving of vegetables per day
- 17.22%-22.04% use SNAP (food stamps)



Fall Class Use Their Skills to Help Evaluation

“Applied Anthropology”
 Baylor Students To Provide Baseline Research for JFM

While the primary goal of the Jubilee Food Mkt is providing healthy and affordable food to lower-income neighbors who live in a food desert, the intention is also to evaluate the impact of the grocery store on the community in need. Under the direction of Dr. Sara Alexander, sixteen students will begin meeting soon with area residents to survey a variety of questions that can be tracked over time.



Want to help?

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Community Fellowship Church held a benefit concert and raised \$1023 for the Jubilee Food Market! THANKS!