



More Than a Place to Eat – A Place Where Strangers Become Neighbors

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Tomaiya Stafford, and I'm the Founder and Executive Director of *There's More Soup Kitchens (TMSK)* — a nonprofit organization in development with plans to launch a **pay-what-you-can food truck and restaurant** in Atlanta. We currently host our Feeding Our Neighbors events in parks in Atlanta but are hoping to expand our operations.

Every day in **Atlanta, thousands of people** — children, parents, students, workers, and seniors — go to bed **hungry and alone**. Life has become increasingly unaffordable and isolating, and nutritious food is becoming more difficult to access. Food insecurity is no longer associated with just homelessness or unemployment. It also includes the family with two working parents who still can't afford fresh produce, the college student skipping meals to make tuition, and our neighbors who live in **food deserts** — where convenience stores line the streets, and healthy food is scarce.

Loneliness and disconnection are quietly devastating. They don't make headlines, but they affect everything. Studies show that people facing food insecurity are far more likely to feel isolated, and that chronic loneliness makes it harder to reach out, to recover, and to feel like you matter. It chips away at one's joy, confidence, and community.

In Fulton County alone, **90,631 people face food insecurity with no access to SNAP**, and in some parts of South Atlanta and the West End, more than **1 in 4 residents are food insecure**. These are not just statistics; they're our neighbors — wondering where their next meal will come from.

That's where TMSK comes in and this is where YOU can join us

At TMSK, we believe food should nourish more than the body — it should feed the soul. That's why our mission is just as much about community as it is about meals. Our mission is **to love and strengthen our community** by serving healthy, nutritious food for all, regardless of means. We aim to be a **place where strangers become neighbors** — building bridges across socioeconomic lines through shared meals, hospitality, and hope and exist to restore the dignity that our neighbors should have never lost.

We are currently working to raise **\$300,000 to purchase and outfit our first food truck**, which will allow us to begin serving meals, hosting community events, and launching our culinary training initiatives. Every dollar brings us closer to creating a space where food builds community and people find belonging.

We are reaching out to local businesses and community-minded leaders like you to ask:

- Would you consider **making a tax-deductible donation** to support our launch?
- Would your business be willing to **match public donations**, helping us double our impact?
- Would you be open to an **in-kind contribution** — such as food, kitchen equipment, used food truck/trailer, printing services, or marketing support?
- Would you like to become a **TMSK sponsor**, with opportunities to promote your business across our truck, events, and social media?

We offer opportunities to **recognize and promote our partners**, including social media features, logo placement on our truck and website, and opportunities to be honored at future community events. We would be more than happy to tailor sponsorship packages that align with your brand's values and goals.

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Sponsorship Levels

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| <p>Bronze Tier – Community Ally <i>Starting at \$1,000</i> Help source ingredients for 1000 meals!</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 BE KIND! Stickers • Shout out on social media & newsletter |
| <p>Silver Tier – Bridge Builder <i>Starting at \$3,500</i> Help fund a week of operations!</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the above • Your name on our 2026 Donor Wall • 5 BE KIND! Cards to disperse |
| <p>Gold Tier – Table Setter <i>Starting at \$7,000</i> Help fund our culinary training start up supplies!</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the above • A meal for 4 at our food truck • Recognition on our T-shirts • Website & social media recognition |
| <p>Platinum Tier – Community Champion <i>Starting at \$10,000</i> Help fund our kitchen commissary fees!</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the above • A meal for 10 at our food truck • 10 Total BE KIND! Cards to disperse • Personalized thank-you message from our Founder to your team |
| <p>Diamond Tier – Heart of the Kitchen <i>Starting at \$50,000</i> Help us outfit our food truck and secure our future restaurant space!</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the above • Prominent signage at our food truck site • Logo placement on printed menus • A meal for 20 at our food truck • 50 Total BE KIND! Cards to disperse • Recognition and VIP invite to our Grand Opening |

If you're interested in giving, collaborating, or learning more, please reach out to me at: tmsk@theresmoresoupkitchens.org Learn more at: linktr.ee/theresmoresoupkitchens

We also invite you to share this opportunity with your team. Encouraging employees to give, volunteer, or spread the word is a powerful way to extend your impact and deepen your company's connection to the community.

Thank you for your time and your consideration in helping us turn this vision into reality. Together, we can close the gap between hunger and hope— one act of generosity at a time.

To follow our journey and help spread the word, connect with us on social media:
Linked In | Instagram | Facebook [@theresmoresoupkitchens](https://www.instagram.com/theresmoresoupkitchens)

With gratitude,

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