



## Response to the COVID-19

To: Arlington Life Shelter Community, Donors, Volunteers, and Friends

The Arlington Life Shelter has been working closely with the City of Arlington and other community service providers to ensure we are meeting the needs of our community while also protecting our staff, residents, and volunteers. We are in regular communication with city, county, and other agencies such as Tarrant County Public Health and Tarrant County Homeless Coalition to determine that we are doing everything possible to reduce the possibility of infection among our residents.

We have long had in place specific protocol for infectious diseases such as TB and influenza. We continue to follow that protocol with increased emphasis cleaning, hand washing, disinfecting, and expanding the space between our residents. We are closely monitoring residents as they enter the shelter with recommended CDC questions regarding their current health.

As we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, we have needed to make some abrupt changes to our services and service location.

Beginning **March 23rd**, the Arlington Life Shelter will operate from North Davis Church of Christ's Family Life Center (1601 N Davis Dr., Arlington, TX 76012) for both shelter and food services; new resident intake will occur at the same location daily from 2pm-4pm. The Shelter will be able to accommodate a maximum of 50 residents (due to social distancing guidelines issued by the CDC). Intake requirements will remain the same (background check-no violent crime in the past 5 years, no sex offenders, photo ID required); meals provided will remain the same (dinner served onsite, cold breakfast, sack lunch). The Shelter will remain open for residents 24 hours per day.

We are thankful to our food teams who continue to provide evening meals and lunches for the residents during this time of transition.

Your faithful support makes possible our mission to helping our residents return to self-sufficiency. We would appreciate your thoughts and prayers and continued support as we work through this difficult time in our community.