



SAINT DEMETRIOS HOUSING FOR ACTIVE ADULTS

We are one Orthodox Family

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." - Galatians 6:9

My Dear Friends,

Two years ago, we celebrated the Groundbreaking for the St. Demetrios Housing for Active Adults, a Ministry in the Metropolis of New Jersey; a Ministry that extends beyond Orthodox housing toward the foundation for a Senior Ministry Program for the entire Metropolis.

In the subsequent months after the Groundbreaking, we received a further blessing in the final loan commitment to construct the building and then it happened...the world stopped with the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic.

An unimaginable change to our lives resulted in businesses closed, construction was suspended, bank commitments expired and supply chains for building supplies dried which restarted with a 30-40% cost increase. We were forced to redesign the complex for a post COVID-19 world increasing safety features throughout the building. All measures of safety were integrated in the new plan. We designed this building for our own family of Orthodox Christians **in mind for all their needs**. It took more time but it was well worth it.

Finally, we are ready! We have been blessed and encouraged by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, New Jersey Metropolis, His Grace, Bishop Apostolos and Chancellor Archimandrite Christoforos Oikonomidis to start as soon as possible. Fr. Nektarios Cottros of Piscataway, New Jersey, is continuing as the Metropolis Liaison to this project. His Eminence is very interested in the lay residents of the housing, as well as, in attracting retired clergy and widowed presbyteras to come live in Perth Amboy to enjoy the beautiful waterfront view.

It has taken us 7 years to get to this point, but we are now ready to reap the fruits of our collective labor for our parents and grandparents. We ask you to join in our efforts today before the end of the year and "jump start" the building project.

Join us at our **Christmas Benefit on Sunday, December 19, 2021** in support of the St. Demetrios Housing for Active Adults project. Your support is essential to make our dream of creating an Orthodox-centered adult retirement community come to life.

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros will be honored as our special guest at the Christmas Benefit with a 5:30 PM Cocktail Hour, 6:30 PM Dinner & Ceremonies, live music and entertainment which will take place at the Grand Marquis at 1550 U.S. 9 South, Old Bridge, NJ 08857. Tickets are \$125 per person. Please RSVP by December 17th by visiting <https://stdemetrioshousing.com/benefit/> or scanning the QR Code below.

This donation will be the best donation of the year to give back for all the blessings we each have individually and on behalf of our families.

Make your reservations now and join in our efforts to make God's work come alive for our seniors throughout the Metropolis of New Jersey.

Judge Marina Corodemus (Ret.)
President, Philotimo Housing Urban Corporation
Perth Amboy, New Jersey

Scan to RSVP



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