



Dear Prospective Contributor,

Freedom In Recovery Inc. (FIRI) is a private non-profit 501c corporation and has been blessed to be able to provide a safe, clean, and friendly environment for all types of 12-Step based meetings for over twenty-seven years. **FIRI is not allied or affiliated with any twelve-step fellowship and our success is based upon maintaining this important separation.** FIRI understands that the true impact of these 12-Step organizations upon our community is immense. Through these programs, lives are saved, families are restored, and recovering individuals learn how to live meaningful and purposeful lives. There are currently more than thirty 12-Step meetings held each week at Freedom Hall, a facility leased by FIRI. These meetings are comprised of six different 12-Step fellowships supported by fourteen independent Home Groups. Freedom Hall is currently located at 2720 E. Thomas Road in Phoenix and has three meeting rooms that are supplied with chairs, side tables, storage lockers, literature racks, cups, coffee, and meeting notice boards. In exchange for these services, each meeting is charged eighty-five percent of the seventh tradition donations they collect. FIRI uses the funds it receives to pay hall associated financial obligations and maintain a prudent reserve while saving any remaining funds in hopes of one day being able to finance a facility of our own. The members of the FIRI Board of Directors receive no financial compensation for their services, they are elected by the FIRI Sustaining Members.

Procuring a facility of our own is the single most effective way FIRI can combat both the ever-increasing lease rates within the Phoenix metropolitan area and the numerous destabilizing experiences FIRI has encountered in the past as a tenant. These destabilizing experiences have included leases not being renewed, early lease termination, insufficient building maintenance and disruptive neighbors. Freedom Hall has moved three times in the last twenty-four years and potentially will be required to move again when our current lease expires in December of 2020. Each relocation not only had significant cost attributable to the move and associated remodeling, but also resulted in a decline in meeting attendance, which added to our financial losses. In addition, as a tenant in our prior locations, we have endured weeks in the summertime heat without air conditioning, entire winters without heat and years of periodic unexplained sewage smells, all of which decreased meeting attendance and financial contributions.

Please consider assisting us in obtaining a home of our own by making a tax-deductible donation. Donations can be made using the Network For Good donation button on our website <http://www.FreedomHallPhoenix.org> or by making a check payable to Freedom In Recovery Inc. and mailing it to FIRI, c/o Ben Surber, 1906 E. Libra Dr., Tempe Az 85283. Our tax identification number is 86-0737947. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Thank you, for your consideration and hopefully for your contribution.

Sincerely, FIRI Board of Directors

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