

EZION FAIR BAPTIST CHURCH

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Ezion Fair Baptist Church & Entities

Ezion Fair Baptist Church was founded in 1919 in the Southbridge section of the City of Wilmington with the main objective of rendering salvation & restoration humanity. For the initial 88-years, our focus was on the “Salvation” aspect of our objective, in 2007, we formed a 501c3 to begin to address “Restoration.” We are focus on shedding light and offering a common solution on the many issues that are plaguing the Wilmington community. Homelessness, drugs, poverty, lack of educational resources, and community apathy are but a few systematic issues. We are now forming and have created resources that are addressing these inner city ills.

Those who founded the Ezion Fair Community Development Corporation knew that the crisis in the Wilmington inner city area was not about comically dressed or cleverly resourceful clown figures. Neither is it about the alleged romance of being a savvy vagabond with nothing to lose. But those of us who helped build the EFCDC realized that what the inner city of Wilmington Delaware is facing deals with spiritual and natural “Un-readiness;” in other words, man’s inability to solve the spiritual problems with natural forces.

Senior homelessness makes up an increasing proportion of the inner city of Wilmington Delaware. Advocates for the poor fear that state and federal further changes in the welfare system will swell the ranks of Senior homelessness. This is but one of the many issues that we are attacking immediately.

Therefore, Ezion Fair Baptist Church & Entities is proposing to build a Senior Suite Style Living Facility in the Southbridge section of the City. We currently own 1 parcel and seek your support to provide us with the additional 2-parcels that will bring meaningful housing for our Seniors.

The requirements for residents: Seniors must be at least 65-years of age, able to care for their personal being, and be willing to live in a shared community dwelling.

The number of Suite-Style Units: We plan to build a 3floor-level facility that has 10-15 Senior Suites.

The facility will have: A Community Multipurpose Room with Kitchen, and 15-Suite Style units. Each unit will have a private full bathroom, bedroom, living area and a kitchenette.

This will be available to any resident of the State of Delaware.

Look forward to your response.

The Southbridge community has a rich and long history of community excellence. Since being established in 1870, it has provided economic advantages for African Americans' to build businesses and raise their families.

Over the past few years, poverty and trauma have taken a toll on this community. From the abandonment of homes & businesses that was once a part of this vibrant area; the vacant lots with junk cars, to the DNREC polluted soil, Southbridge deserves more. Ezion Fair has a 103-years' history with Southbridge, and is determined to restore, resurrect and redeem what poverty & neglect have dismantled.

Just fewer than 400,000 residents of Delaware are 50 and older, which equates to almost 40 percent of the state's population. That's the sixth-highest percentage of seniors among all states, and Delaware's median age of 41.1 is almost three years higher than the overall U.S. median age. Yet, there is a growing crisis of affordable housing across the state, especially in the most populated city of Wilmington. Crime and poverty has become the landmark for many communities that our seniors are forced to live in. With this project, we will begin to bridge the turn in trajectory for decent and affordable senior living accommodations. This project will not only address affordability for our seniors, but quality of life as well. Emotional, physical and mental wellness is a main objective with this project, as seniors will live in a secured facility, with common interaction, activities and experiences. This project will add approximately 12 new jobs to the community as well. Finally, this project will become the model for true quality senior living accommodations. We have already aligned ourselves with other partners in the Southbridge Community; such as Ezion Fair Wholeness Center, Neighborhood House, and the Henrietta Johnson Medical Center. This facility would only add to the strength of our seniors, that we are attempting to build.

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Affordable Efficiencies/Suite Style Senior Community Living

General Concept:

1. 4 Floors 30,000sq.ft.
2. Personal Efficiencies/Suites Living area
3. Common Area
4. Individual Utilities

Individual Rooms (Like Residence In Hotel)

- ❖ General Area:
 - Kitchenette (Sink, Microwave Refrig)
 - Small Eating Area
 - Full Size Bed
 - Full Size Close Closet
- ❖ **Bathroom:**
 - Sink
 - Toilet
 - Bathtub with Shower
 - Lining Storage

Common Space

- ❖ Dining/Community Room
- ❖ Full Commercial Kitchen

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Proposal Of Concept

Ezion Fair Baptist Church & Entities is proposing to build a Senior Suite Style Living House in the Southbridge section of the City. We currently own 1 parcel and have the remaining parcel under contract to be transferred to our ownership. This project will bring meaningful housing for our Seniors.

The requirements for residents: Seniors must be at least 65-years of age, able to care for their personal being, and be willing to live in a shared community dwelling.

The number of Suite-Style Units: We plan to build a 4-floor-level facility that has 10-15 Senior Suites.

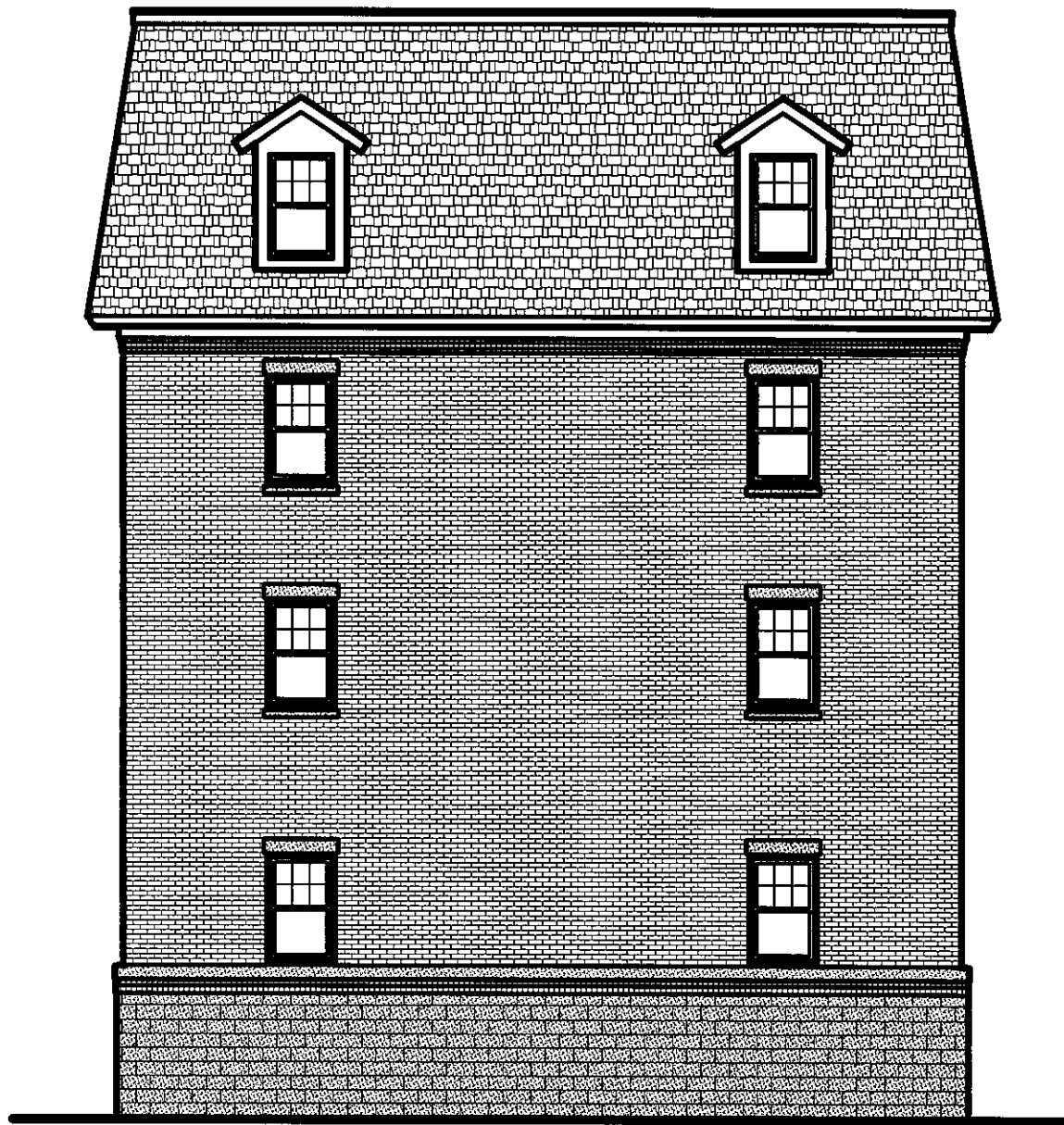
The facility will have: A Community Multipurpose Room with Kitchen, and 15-Suite Style units. Each unit will have a private full bathroom, bedroom, living area and a kitchenette.

In order to make this project for Seniors living affordable, we need the assistance and aid from your entity. How can we make it happen?



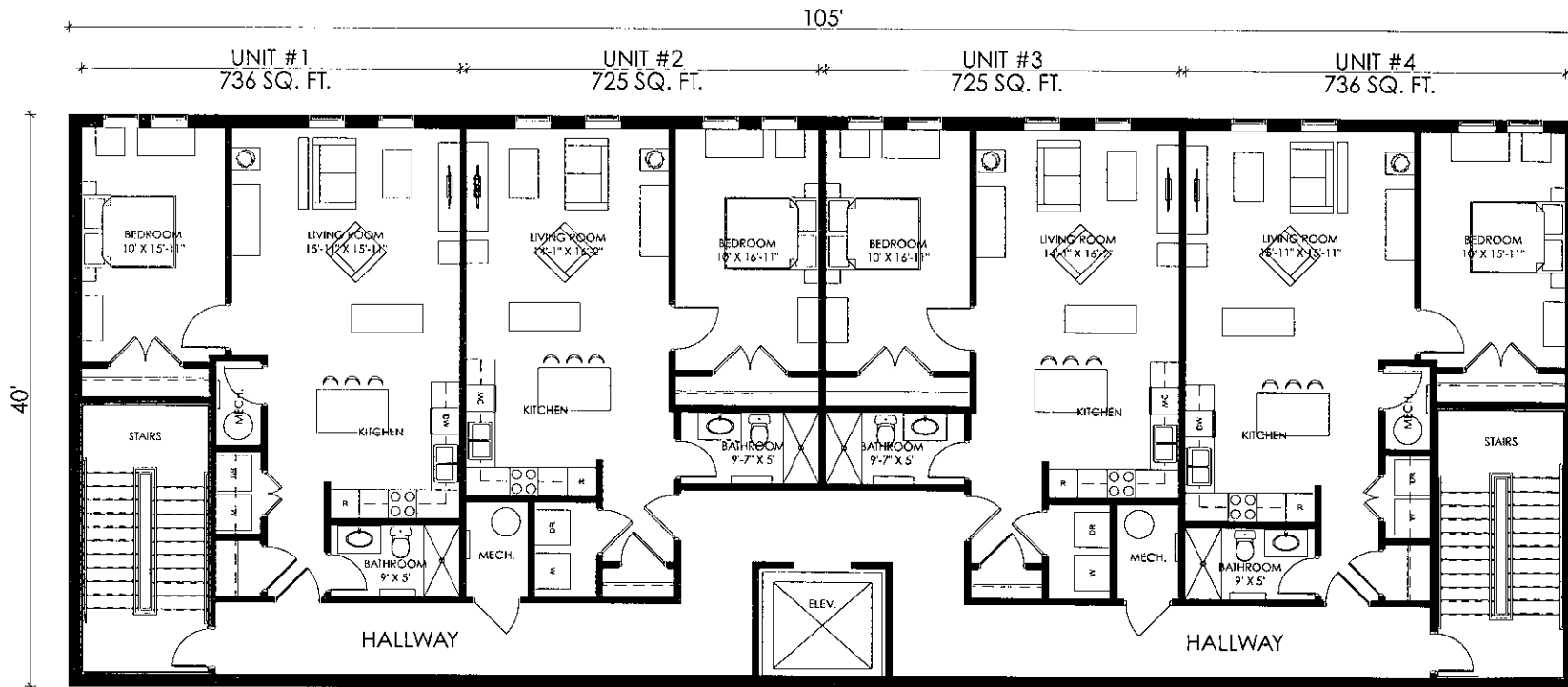
SIDE ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/16" = 1'-0"



END ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/16" = 1'-0"



EZION, SENIOR HOUSING
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 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"