Local Chefs Host Pop-Up to Help DC’s Homeless on March 9

**Portion of proceeds to benefit Miriam’s Kitchen; One night only dining experience for DC area foodies; Five course meal with a purpose**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On March 9th Unaddressed Pop-Up Dinners will host its first event to benefit Miriam’s Kitchen. The philanthropic minded startup is founded by Embassy Chef Challenge winner Manuel Rodriguez and restaurateur Spenser McKenna. Combined, the two have over twenty years of experience in D.C. area restaurants including: Lincoln, Vermilion, Cubanos and CRAVE.

This one night only dining experience will feature a seasonally inspired five course tasting menu inside one of D.C.’s minimalistic and chic restored warehouses.

“I love giving people unforgettable dining experiences from the food to the decor” said McKenna. “If I can do that while helping my community, that’s a pretty spectacular night of entertaining.”

“Set menus become dull,” said Rodriguez. “The pop-up model gives us the opportunity to experiment. The lack of overhead allows us to do good for our community. This is the ultimate win-win for adventurous chefs with a love of philanthropy.”

The Unaddressed Pop-Up Dinners team plans to host a series of unforgettable dining experiences with a purpose. Miriam’s Kitchen was chosen as the first of many beneficiaries because it’s a cause the Unaddressed Pop-Up Dinners team believes in and can relate to. Spenser and Manuel love feeding people – it’s what drew them both to the culinary world. Miriam’s Kitchen addresses a big issue – ending chronic homelessness in D.C. – but nearly every person’s journey with the organization begins by receiving a quality, nutritious meal.

For event details, the full menu and to purchase tickets follow @unaddressed_dinners on Instagram or visit the EventBrite page: [http://bit.ly/2kl3c6y](http://bit.ly/2kl3c6y).

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**About Unaddressed Pop-Up Dinners**

At Unaddressed Pop-Up Dinners we are committed to providing one night only culinary experiences for D.C. area residents. The location, beneficiary and chef may change, but our commitment to provide unforgettable culinary experiences that benefit local nonprofits will remain constant. To find out where we’ll be creating tasty dinners with a purpose next, follow us on Instagram @Unaddressed_Dinners.

**About Miriam’s Kitchen**

Founded in 1983 as a soup kitchen, Miriam’s Kitchen has evolved over the years to provide more than meals. Today, Miriam’s Kitchen is a critical player in the fight to end chronic homelessness in DC. On the direct services level, we serve more than 3,000 men and women experiencing homelessness—helping them to improve their health, increase their income and obtain housing through a range of programs and partnerships. And at the systems level, we work with leaders across the city to make instances of homelessness rare, brief and non-recurring. For more information, please visit miriamskitchen.org/morethanameal or call (202) 452-8926.