

Atlantic City's Princess Inc. to deliver 600 Thanksgiving meals

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ATLANTIC CITY — Princess Inc. is taking Thanksgiving to go — again.

In its second year, the Atlantic City-based nonprofit will be prepping hot meals Saturday and delivering them to the homeless and underserved in the city and in Pleasantville.

Dubbed "Thanksgiving to Go," the group hosted the event for the first time last year and has a goal of feeding about 600 people, or double the amount of meals from last year.

The group will be at various locations in the city Saturday afternoon from noon to 4 p.m., including the Turning Point Day Center and intersections throughout the city's 48 blocks. Dinner deliveries will also be made in Pleasantville at the bus terminal.

Friends Indra Owens and Automne Bennett are the founders of Princess Inc., which fosters mentoring, education, empowerment and community service for girls ages 13 to 16 in the city. They have been leading the organization since 2011.

When the group started the event in 2017, they hosted it out of Owens' Arkansas Avenue home. The group packaged tote bags filled with meals and necessities and had family, friends, group members and volunteers deliver them on the streets.

They wanted to bring meals right to the population in need, instead of having people wait in long lines outside or in crowded facilities, they said.

This year, the group will use Stockton University's Atlantic City campus as the primary assembly station for the dinners that will be delivered around the city.

The food for the meals is being donated from Caesars Entertainment, B&B Soul Seafood, Steve & Cookie's By the Bay, Tomatoe's and the Historic Smithville Inn, the group said.