More Than A Move: Important Milestones

February 1: Staff & volunteer workgroups were formed to guide Manna’s move

April 23: Distribution began at Gaithersburg Middle School (GMS) (2 Teachers Way)

April 25: Demolition began at 12301 Old Columbia Pike

May 11: Last 2nd Saturday distribution was held at 9311 Gaither Rd; weekend volunteer opportunities and food distribution pick-ups available at Silver Spring United Methodist Church- Four Corners (2nd & 4th Saturdays) and at new Market at 12301 Old Columbia Pike this fall

May 24: Last day of distribution at 9311 Gaither Rd; distribution will continue at GMS on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-7 PM

May 28-July 8: Volunteerism will continue as usual, with an additional “choice” pantry volunteer opportunity in the afternoons on Tuesday and Thursday at GMS

Daytime warehouse volunteers can expect new/modified afternoon activities, as we will not be distributing food to participants directly from the warehouse. Evening packing/sorting activities will continue as usual, with the possibility of additional tasks to prepare for the warehouse move to temporary space.

June 28: Annual audit of food inventory at 9311 Gaither Rd.

July 3: Last day of regular daytime volunteer activities at 9311 Gaither Rd.

July 8: Warehouse operations shift from 9311 to temporary warehouse located at 8341 Beechcraft Ave, Gaithersburg

July 10: Begin services out of temporary warehouse; daytime volunteers will be needed to support the continued distribution of food to Manna satellites; evening groups and weekend volunteer opportunities will be paused for 6-8 weeks while in the temporary space. New opportunities for the fall will be announced to volunteers and group leaders over the summer. Office staff and volunteers finish move preparations.

July 12: Last day that referral office volunteers will work from 9311 Gaither Rd.

July 15: Relocation of office staff (Admin, Development, Programs, Executive Office, Participant Services/Referral) to 12301 Old Columbia Pike

July 16: First day that referral office volunteers will work from 12301 Old Columbia Pike

July 17: Construction begins at 9311 Gaither Rd.

August: Begin limited opening of 12301 Marketplace and classes

August 28: Warehouse moves back into 9311 Gaither Rd.

September: Ribbon-cutting at 12301 Old Columbia Pike

October: Grand Reopening of 9311 Gaither Rd.