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Rebuilding lives, restoring families and renewing our community one person at a time is the mission of Portland's Miracles Club at 4200 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Interim Executive Director Michael R. Booker Jr. (left) and Pastor Dwight Minnieweather, head chef of the associated next door venue 'A Heavenly Taste Café,' welcome the community to their establishments.

Rebuilding Lives

Meet the team who serves the community

The Miracles Club, a non-alcoholic social club providing support services and housing in the African American community and its adjacent "A Heavenly Taste Café," are reintroducing themselves after some recent changes.

Providing a safe, clean and sober environment for individuals seeking a lifestyle free from alcohol and drugs, the purpose of the Miracles Club is to offer a place in the community where individuals and their families can find support services and social activities in an environment

that inspires continued sobriety.

Michael R. Booker Jr. is now the interim executive director of the non-profit organization. Housed on the ground floor of a multi-story building at 4200 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. and Skidmore Street, the club centers on peer-to-peer mentoring as an avenue to sustained sobriety, utilizing a variety of different groups, such as hosting 12 Step program meetings, 365 days a year. The entire complex has 37 affordable housing units for individuals and families.

Pastor Dwight Minnieweather is chief executive officer of Portland's Straightway Services who became head chef of "A Heavenly Taste Café" in 2015. Centered in the heart of Portland's African American community and

right next door to the Miracles Club, the local and black-owned restaurant fits right in with the Miracles Club's motto of giving second chances.

The café provides free meals at times for those who cannot afford a meal, but need the recovery services. A wide variety of Southern foods that we all like such as ribs, catfish, fried chicken, greens, and candied yams are on the menu. You can even find neck bones, crappies and chitins at special times.

The prices are low enough for anyone to come and eat. You can experience this taste of heaven, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. Breakfast is served all day.

The Miracles Club is also a partner in the construction of a new building with 47 units of affordable or low-income housing coming to the neighborhood just east of the Rose Quarter. Just like its current location, the apartments will provide more adults with housing and services in an alcohol-and drug-free building and specialize in culturally competent recovery support for the African-American community.