

## ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION

A generous donor has given a sum of money through American Baptist Churches USA to be used for programs that address "housing, feeding, education and health with regard to the less fortunate." A panel will select recipients for grants of up to \$5,000 largely based on the degree to which the funds will be used to directly assist persons in poverty. Ministries must be in relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply, and only one application per church or ministry will be considered per year. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church or organization, checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

### 1. General Information:

Organization Name The Lakes Chaplaincy  
Affiliation with ABCUSA (Check made payable to) American Baptist Churches of NH & VT  
Mailing Address One Oak Ridge Road, B3, #4A  
West Lebanon, NH 03734  
Phone (603) 643-4201 Federal Tax ID# 02-0436748  
Contact person Dale Edwards email dale.edwards@abcvnh.org

### 2. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement
- A financial statement FOR THIS MINISTRY. This can be a budget or projected budget, and should not exceed 2 pages. Church budgets are not acceptable.

3. How do you plan to use the requested funds? How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? (Please submit on separate sheet. Maximum of one page.)

4. Total cost of the project \$7,104

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$3,064

6. Your other funding source(s) local church support, private individual donations

I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct, and that we will use any granted funds as described. We will supply a 1-page report on the use of the funds and a photo within six months of receipt of the grant.

(Signed) Rev. John Babson Date Sept. 1, 2015

Printed Name/Title Rev. John Babson, Primary Chaplain

### Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Recipients agree to share their stories via the ABCUSA website.
- Application deadline is March 1 for grants distributed on April 15; Sept. 1 for grants distributed on Oct 15
- Completed applications should be sent via email to [Tina.Turner@abcusa.org](mailto:Tina.Turner@abcusa.org).

*Only electronic submissions will be accepted.*

**MISSION:** Our mission is to restore hope to the forgotten: the addicted, disabled, elderly, homeless, and hospitalized by meeting their emotional, physical and spiritual needs.

The Lakes Chaplaincy currently serves those who live and/or work on the eastern rim of Lake Winnepesaukee, NH and in Carroll County. The statics and signs are apparent in our region. Here poverty among families with children under 18 years of age in 2009 to 2013 families was 10.5%; overall children under 18 living in poverty was 11.8%.<sup>1</sup> The annual average of unemployment in 2014 was 1,034. In 2011 Homeless Children/Youth was 161 and in 2012 was 178, and the number is greater today. Drug addiction and overdoses have risen so radically, it is publicly acknowledged by the State as "epidemic." Involuntary Emergency Admissions (IEA) have increased 50% since 2013 according to local law enforcement officials.

The Pew Foundation lists Vermont and New Hampshire as seeing the fewest people attending church in the country. NH churches are closing and the people groups in our mission statement are not being served on basic levels and fall into a chasm outside the church body. The "forgotten" we serve have been ravaged by unemployment, physical abuse, sickness, or other degrading factors. Many have issues with serious depression and anxiety. With the rapid rise in addictive behaviors, homelessness and property crime create the inability for employment. Municipal leaders and regional non-profits are seeing a significant rise in poverty resulting in endemic hopelessness. TLC meets individuals in the defined people groups one-to-one, with family members, and in small groups to helping them toward hope and healing.

Since The Lakes Chaplaincy began in September 2013, with the name registered with the State one month later; multiple individuals in all five people groups have experienced life transformations emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

**USE OF FUNDS:**

- Increase the number of people we serve; expansion of network.
- TLC travels throughout Carroll County, which is considered geographically ultra-rural. Staff travel and travel for individuals in need of attending therapeutic or support services (AA meetings, professional counseling, the hospital, etc.).
- Funding for limited food for those in immediate need, often when welfare and other resources are not available.
- Provide viable sources for daycare so parents can feel unrestrained to attend job interviews or programs fostering their recovery.
- Educational materials enable those we serve to look toward the church family to help support them. A supply of resource materials as well as Bibles are needed for this purpose.
- Administrative needs

**BUDGET:** See attached.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/5780-poverty-among-families-and-children-under-18-years-of-age>



# The Lakes Chaplaincy Annual Budget

Projected - 12 Months

## INCOME

Local churches		\$2,840
Individual donations		\$1,200
<b>GRAND TOTAL INCOME:</b>		<b>\$4,040</b>

## EXPENSE

### Chaplaincy Project Materials

Bibles		\$200
Work Books/ Study Guides		\$200
Printed Resource Materials		\$50

<b>Travel</b>		
To/Fr counseling		\$300
To/Fr addiction classes		\$300
To/Fr ministry visitation		\$300
To/Fr doctor/hospital		\$300
To/Fr continuing ed programs		\$300
Chaplain Travel within region		\$2,235
Vehicle Maintenance/Reg		\$1,130

<b>Provisions for Needy</b>		
Emergency Groceries		\$100
Meals for Homeless		\$200
Daycare Assistance		\$500
<b>TOTAL CHAPLAINCY:</b>		<b>\$6,115</b>

### Professional Costs

Professional Liability		\$180
ABC Ministers Council Membership		\$75
ACPE Annual Dues		\$65
Promotional		\$350
<b>TOTAL PROFESSIONAL:</b>		<b>\$670</b>

### Administrative Costs

MS Office 365 subscription		\$69
Printing Costs (donor updates, etc.)		\$100
Postage		\$150
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE:</b>		<b>\$319</b>

**GRAND TOTAL EXPENSE: \$7,104**

<b>TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME</b>		<b>\$4,040</b>
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSE</b>		<b>\$7,104</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL REQUESTED</b>		<b>-\$3,064</b>