

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 described above. The applying ministry must be directly affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to submit an application. Only one application per church or region will be considered within a 24-month period. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions, rainy day fund, church benevolent fund, or for capital improvements to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church or Region that is applying for the grant; checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

Tab through the document to fill in all the fields below.

1. Applicant Information

Name of Church or Region: American Baptist Churches of Los Angeles, Southwest and Hawaii

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1868, Glendale, CA 91209

Phone: 818.839.6070

Federal Tax ID#: 95-6019901

Region: ABCOFLASH

Contact person (person completing this form): Rev. Doug Hubbard

Email: DHubbard@abcoflash.org

Affiliation with American Baptist Churches USA:

☐ Church ☒ Region ☐ Other, please explain

Does your church contribute to United Mission? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you previously been awarded an ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If so, have you submitted your report on the use of the funds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. What ministry or group will use these funds?

ABCOFLASH Regional Youth Ministry

If this application is being submitted on behalf of another organization or ministry, you agree to be the fiscal agent for any grant funds awarded. (please initial)

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?

Please include a very brief and specific statement on how the money will be spent. For example: to purchase school supplies for 100 elementary school children; to provide summer camp scholarships for 10 children from low-income families; purchase diapers and wipes to single mothers. You are encouraged to attach a longer description (no more than one page) of the ministry or project. To provide scholarships for economically disadvantaged youth to attend the Regional Winter Youth Retreat in 2017 and 2018.

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? What impact do you hope to make on the target group or community?

Youth have the opportunity at this retreat of have a life changing encounter with Jesus Christ which is an essential part of giving them hope. That hope is a part of young people finding motivation to improve their lives through spiritual growth, education and church involvement. Being exposed to the larger Body of Christ has the potential to awaken the human spirit in young people and give them courage to change their lives and circumstances.

5. Total cost of the project: \$5000 or whatever amount is granted will be used.

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$5000
7. List other funding source(s): ABCOFLASH Youth Ministry Budget. Additional funding will be requested from Christian Community Credit Union and Children's Baptist Homes Ministries.
8. Please submit along 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.

By submitting this application on behalf of (church/region/organization name)ABCOFLASH, I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct. We agree to use and/or disburse any grant funds awarded for the sole purpose as described within this application. We will supply a 1-page report on the use of the funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant.

Application submitted by (name of person): Rev. Doug Hubbard (your name typed here is your electronic signature)

Date: 8/31/16

Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Recipients agree to share their stories via the ABCUSA website.
- Application deadline September 1. Grants will be distributed no later than October 15.
- Only electronic submissions of completed applications and supporting documents will be accepted. Completed applications should be sent via email to Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org.
- Please review the instructions that follow and initial at the bottom to indicate you have read this information.

Instructions and information for completing the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant application

1. General information

Applicants must be a recognized ABC church, Region office or organization directly affiliated with an ABC organization such as ABCUSA, ABHMS and IM.

An ABC church or region may submit an application for a ministry they are supporting. If a grant is awarded, the church or region assumes fiscal responsibility for the use of these funds.

Checks will be made payable to the ABC church, region or affiliated organization. Checks will not be made to an individual or ministry.

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?

Briefly describe what will be purchased with the grant funds if awarded. Be specific with the expected use of these funds. This should be a very short and specific statement on where the money will be spent and not include a narrative of the ministry project.

You are encouraged to provide a longer description of the ministry but this additional information must be limited to no more than one page in length.

Please note that grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions and salaries, for capital improvements to church facilities, or to maintain a "Rainy Day fund," or church benevolent fund.

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?

Describe how the Matthew 25 grant funds will benefit those less fortunate. What effect and impact do you hope to have on individuals battling poverty or the community you are hoping to serve?

5. Total cost of the project

List the total amount of this project or ministry need.

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant.

One application per church or region will be considered per 24 month period. The maximum amount awarded is \$5,000. If you have previously been a Matthew 25 grant recipient, you must have submitted a follow-up report in order to be eligible to reapply.

7. Your other funding source(s).

List all other sources providing funding for this ministry.

8. Please submit with your application a copy of:**- Your mission statement**

Include as an attachment a copy of the church or ministry's mission statement.

- A financial statement for this ministry

This budget or projected budget must include specific expenses and income for the ministry applying for the Matthew 25 grant funding. Church budgets are not acceptable.

Other information and requirements

By submitting an application,

- You certify that all information submitted is true and correct;
- You agree to use and/or disburse any awarded grant funds for the sole purpose as described within this application;
- You agree to supply a one page report on the use of funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant;
- You give ABCUSA permission to share your story via the ABCUSA website or newsletter;
- You give ABCUSA permission to use the photograph(s) submitted for printing and/or posting.

I have reviewed the instructions provided. (initial here) DH

Your typed name and initials are your electronic signatures on this document.

RESCUE ME BROKENNESS MENDED BY HOPE

He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

Psalms 147:3

We have all messed up in one way or another! We make serious mistakes; Do things that are clearly wrong and against God and we hurt the people around us. Other times, someone does something that hurts us and the pain goes deep causing our brokenness. There are times that the people around us see our hurt but we choose to hide and make people think that we have it all together. God has been there as we pray that simple prayer "RESCUE ME". God wants to rescue us and mend us back together to give us hope once again. The planning team of WYR 2017 is inviting you to join us at this retreat to experience God's love and healing in your life. Come to WYR to connect with God, your youth group and youth from other churches. We hope to see you at WYR 2017!



AMY L. WILLIAMS, our speaker for WYR 2017 is a youth ministry veteran, who follows her passion to minister to teens involved in gangs, to youth on probation/parole and to those lost in the criminal justice system; at the core of which the life-on-life mentoring is her key strategy. As a certified Gang Intervention Specialist, she heard God's call to move into a Latino gang neighborhood in Chicago's Humboldt Park community doing street outreach and walking life with young people on her block. Amy mentors other leaders across the country sharing her passion to reach as many youth with the message of HOPE through Jesus Christ. She is changing the hood one kid at a time!

Registration Information - Register Early - Space IS LIMITED!!!

\$135 - For those who pay a \$60 nonrefundable deposit per person by December 12th

\$145 - After December 12th - Registration with full payment closes on January 31st.

\$30 - Bus Transportation per person (optional) Bus transportation must be reserved by January 31st.

HOW TO REGISTER -

(Forms are available at www.abcoflash.org
or by contacting the Regional Resource Center)

GROUP REGISTRATION:

The Group Leader needs to turn in group payment with a completed Group Registration Form.

CONSENT FORMS:

Group leaders need to make copies of the consent form for EVERY participant and turn in completed forms to the Regional Office by JANUARY 31st.

CAMP CEDAR CREST

WYR's location has plenty of space, bathrooms in every cabin, and the possibility of snow!

Learn more about the camp at <http://campcedarcrest.org/>

Camp Cedar Crest

33325 Camp Cedar Crest Road

Running Springs, CA 92383

SMALL GROUP LEADERS NEEDED

Small groups meet during the retreat so youth from different churches can connect with each other. We need mature youth, young adults and adult leaders who can facilitate small group discussions to lead these groups. Every church needs to provide at least one leader per 7 students. **A pre-retreat training session will take place on February 4th for group leaders + small group leaders.**

WYR Talent Show Youth groups, friends and individuals are invited to come with a song, skit, dance or some other talent for the Sunday night talent show. Auditions will be held on Sunday afternoon.

REGISTER ONLINE

at www.abcoflash.org and email or fax your group form and consent forms to the Regional Office OR **PAY BY MAIL**: make checks payable to ABCOFLASH and send with group registration form and consent forms to:

ABCOFLASH

Winter Youth Retreat 2017

P.O. Box 1868

Glendale, CA 91209

FAX: 818.484.2079

connect@abcoflash.org; 818.839.6078



Registration starts at 1:30 PM, Saturday, February 18
Program begins at 3:30 PM
Retreat Concludes at Noon, Monday, February 20
Lunch will not be provided on Saturday or Monday

August 31, 2016

Dear Matthew 25 Grant Committee,



I am making a request of a grant up to \$5000 for scholarships for our Winter Youth Retreat.

Every year 250 to 300 youth and leaders come to our Annual Regional Winter Youth Retreat. While the registration fee of \$145 (\$135 for those who register early) is affordable for many through fund raisers, church support and family support, there are youth in our churches who cannot attend because they cannot afford it. Our region has many churches in communities with low income families. When the opportunity to attend a retreat is offered by the church a parent cannot pay for their son or daughter to attend. In some cases there are families with more than one child and they cannot attend because of the prohibitive cost. The churches that these students attend also are limited on funds and cannot raise enough to send them to the retreat.

Whatever funds are made available will be used to set up a scholarship fund for students to attend the Winter Youth Retreat who would otherwise not be able to attend. We will split the grant and offer scholarships for Winter Youth Retreat 2017 and 2018.

Our Winter Youth Retreats deeply touch the lives who attend. At this retreat students have the opportunity to have a life changing encounter with Jesus Christ that has the potential to give them hope for their lives. If they find hope, then it can only help them improve their lives – they can become better students in school, get connected in their church and the potential to break the cycle of poverty they are in has the potential to be broken.

The cost of the retreat is \$135 or \$145 per person. We will strongly encourage church and family support to provide a portion of the cost, thus providing partial scholarships. If the student truly cannot afford to pay anything we will offer full scholarships. If a student has siblings we can offer full scholarships to them based upon need. If we are granted these funds we will privately inform pastors and youth leaders about its availability.

Winter Youth Retreat Budget –

Cost per student: \$145 (\$135 for those who register early) which covers lodging, meals, and program costs. \$30 for bus transportation if needed.

We are charged per person - \$119 – from Camp Cedar Crest. Our fixed cost is for the speaker and paying for the worship and leadership team which is covered by the additional fees (\$16 or \$26 per person). The ABCOFLASH budget pays for any unmet expenses.

I have attached a Winter Youth Retreat flyer so you can see what this grant will support if accepted.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make this retreat possible for youth in our Region!

In Christ,

Rev. Doug Hubbard

Regional Minister – Youth and Missions