

## 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: Washington Street Baptist Church

Mailing Address: 256 Washington St., Lynn, MA 01902

Phone: 781-595-2550

Federal Tax ID#: 042210478

Region: The American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts

Contact person (person completing this form): Eric Nelson

Email: ecbnelson@gmail.com

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?

Kids Club After School Program of Washington Street Baptist Church

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. The money will be spent to provide meals every other Thursday for the children of low-income families who attend Kids Club as well as daily healthy snacks. (See attached page for longer description)

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?

See attached page

5. Total cost of the project: \$3,000

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$3,000

7. List other funding source(s): Funding sources include our church budget, individual donations, matching funds from Morgan Stanley, work-study grants for staff, a grant from Judson Baptist Assoc.
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) Kids Club of Washington Street Baptist Church, 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): Eric Nelson (your name typed here is your electronic signature)

Date: August 3, 2016

**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](mailto:Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org).
- Please review the instructions that follow and initial at the bottom to indicate you have read this information.

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### **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) EN

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

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## **2. Mission Statement**

Given Jesus' command to love our neighbor as ourselves, we reach out to the children of our neighborhood, seeking to provide a loving a safe place where they can grow in their education as well as become followers of Jesus Christ. Our goal is to encourage children to be all that God wants them to be.

The children who attend our Kids Club program face many issues, coming not just from poverty and immigrant families. They also live in a neighborhood around the church that has problems with gangs, drugs, prostitution and so on. Our program's goal is to give them a place to get away from the street and to help them build strong, spiritual roots to better face these challenges.

**Financial statement: see separate sheet**

## **3. How do you plan to use the requested funds? 4. How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?**

We will provide nutritious meal for children and their families every other Thursday evening. This supplements their sometimes meager meals at home. It has been our experience that at the end of each meal, the children all want to take leftovers home, either to feed themselves or their families. We provide foam containers to allow that. Often parents attend to share the meals with their children. We feel this is a small way we can help to provide good nutrition to children living in poverty. It is small, but we see ourselves in partnership with other agencies, including the school department and local food partners. Together, we can make a difference. We will also provide healthy snacks to supplement their nutrition when many eat a lot of "junk" food.

# Kids Club 2016-2017 Budget

## Income

CHURCH MISSIONS ACCOUNT	\$1,000.00
Children in Poverty Grant	\$3,000.00
GRANT FROM JUDSON BAPTIST ASSOC.	\$3,000.00
Pledge Donations	\$4,000.00
MATTHEW 25 GRANT ABC/USA (food)	\$2,000.00
GRANTS FROM MORGAN STANLEY	\$4,780.00
City of Lynn Grant (field trips)	\$435.00
Un-Pledged Donations	\$3,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,715.00</b>

## Expenses

<b>STAFF SALARY</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
Director Salary	\$4,000.00
Site Director	\$7,000.00
High School worker(s)	\$3,000.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>

<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
Weekly Dinner	\$2,000.00
Healthy Snacks	\$1,000.00
Start Up	\$400.00
In-House Activies	\$400.00
Holiday Parties (including xmas gifts)	\$800.00
Guest Speakers	\$500.00
Field Trips	\$1,675.00
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Marketing/ Development	\$500.00
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,275.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$21,275.00</b>