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.

1. General Information:

Organization Name__The First Baptist Church of Ballston Spa Affiliation with ABCUSA___An American Baptist Church, ABC-NYS_____ Address__202 Milton Ave. Ballston Spa, NY

Phone__518-885-8361_____ Federal Tax ID#___15-0533568_____ Contact person__Karen Jones____email__office@fbcballstonspa.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____\$5,000_____

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant____\$3000_____

6. Your other funding source(s)____Donations from church and community members ______

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)	Alan Rudnick	Date 3/1/2014

Printed Name/Title__Alan Rudnick_____

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 distributed on Oct. 15
- Completed applications should be sent via email to <u>beth.fogg@abc-usa.org</u>. electronic submissions will be accepted.



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PROJECT MISSION

To provide healthy and nutritious lunches five times a week during July and August for needy children who reside within the Village of Ballston Spa.

PROJECT RATIONALE

The Village of Ballston Spa is the county seat for Saratoga County, and therefore contains the offices for the County Department of Social Services. Many people who require assistance from Social Services live within the village limits. According to the Business Office of the Ballston Spa Central School District, 59 of the students currently attending Malta Avenue School are eligible for free lunches and 22 students are eligible for reduced price lunches - which is just one school in the school system. The Saratoga County Economic Opportunity Council's Head Start Program reported in its 2009 Community Assessment that 29 preschoolers who reside in the Village are living in poverty. When school ends in June, the children who were receiving free or reduced breakfast and lunch through the school district are left without this resource. Many times this is a burden for the families. We estimate that over 100 families within the school district can take advantage of this ministry.

PROJECT APPROACH

The Summer Feeding Program feeds up to 100 Village children under the age of 18 on each Monday through Friday during the months of July and August. Meals will be served between 11:00 and 12:30 a.m. at The First Baptist Church of Ballston Spa (FBC). The FBC will provide 4-5 volunteers to distribute food, maintain attendance records, and supervise children. The FBC feeding site will always staff a volunteer trained in CPR and Choking Rescue. All volunteers will be familiar with and subject to the FBC Child Protection Policy. Appropriate permission forms will be signed by parents prior to children entering the program. The program will be marketed to the appropriate children through Village schools, the Ballston Area Community Center (BACC), Village churches, the Christ's Cupboard food pantry, Noah's Attic, and door to door.

PROJECT RESOURCES

The Summer Feeding Program will utilize cash contributions from FBC members and community organizations. The Program staff will consist of volunteers from FBC.

PROJECT COST

The meals will be provided by the First Baptist Church of Ballston Spa will be healthy, balanced sack lunch meals that adhere to USDA guidelines. Meals will be delivered to FBC on each program day. The Summer Feeding Program will serve 100 meals five times weekly. The total cost for 8 weeks of meals is \$5000.

Budget:

\$1,000 – food supplies (bags, cups, napkins, utensils, plastic bags, ice, gloves, etc...) \$4,000 – Food products (daily menu of fruits, vegetables, meats, cheeses, snacks, etc...)

\$5000 - total cost