

February 8, 2013

Mission Resource Development  
American Baptist Churches USA  
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Dear Ms. Fogg,

Enclosed please find the application for the ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT application from Faith Family Hospitality [FFH] of Fort Collins, Colorado. The application materials include

- The form [re-typed as I'm not very tech-savvy]
- A written page to provide background and responses to the longer questions from the form.
- Faith Family Hospitality's current Annual Report
- Its current budget.

As FFH is only just over one year in existence, it has no address, phone number or tax ID of its own. We are receiving mail and using a tax ID provided by the local United Way during this incubation period.

Thank you for both your encouragement and your reality advice about the number of applicants. We greatly appreciate the wishes of the donor to respond to Christ's dictum in Matthew 25.

Yours truly,



Sandra Brown  
7306 Silvermoon Lane  
Fort Collins, CO 80525

member: American Baptist Church of Fort Collins; food coordinator for that church's participation in FFH

## ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION

1. General information:

Organization name: Faith Family Hospitality (FFH)

Affiliation: American Baptist Church of Fort Collins, Colorado, participates in the FFH network.

FFH has no street address. Its fiscal agent is the local United Way at 424 Pine Street, Fort Collins, CO, 80524

Phone: 1-970-214-7869. [This is the phone of the Liaison Committee's chairperson – Sue Ferguson.]

Federal Tax ID: 84-6031503, a number provided by the local United Way.

Contact: Sandra Brown Email: [sanbrown@comcast.net](mailto:sanbrown@comcast.net)

2. Our mission is to provide temporary housing to families without homes in Fort Collins, Colorado. Our most recent Annual Report and budget are attached.
3. See the attached for how the requested funds will be used.
4. Total cost of the project: \$1200
5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$1000
6. Our other funding sources include: Participating faith communities whose donations cover more than half the expenses to date, individual donations, and those from community service organizations.

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) Sandra S. Brown Date 2/8/2013

Printed Name/Title Sandra S. Brown member American Baptist  
Church of Fort Collins  
and food coordinator for our turn in  
FFH's hospitality

ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION  
BY FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY OF FORT COLLINS, CO

Background: Faith Family Hospitality (FFH) is a meals and shelter program for families without homes begun in Fort Collins in 2012. FFH is a local effort, inspired by the model of Interfaith Hospitality Network which began in New Jersey and has spread widely. American Baptist Church, 600 S. Shields, Fort Collins, is a participating congregation. Participating faith groups donate the space for overnight housing and the meals to serve up to four families at a time. You can see in the attached annual report that in one year of operation we have provided 3,450 nights of lodging and 4,660 meals and eight families have been moved into permanent housing. The only other housing for such families in Fort Collins is another four rooms in the local Catholic Mission.

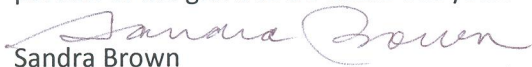
2. FFH's mission statement is informal: to provide temporary housing to families without homes. Our most recent annual report is attached. While we have no audited financial statement, the budget is also attached.

3. The requested funds will be used to replace the beds and mattresses (which travel to and from host congregations) as they wear out, to provide for single-night lodging in hotels for families whose admission to the network is in process and to help families with laundry expenses until a day center can be constructed. Not having adequate bedding would limit the number of people we could help and not having funds for temporary hotel lodging would work an unnecessary hardship on the families we serve.

*The largest part of the budget is for the Family Advocate, a professional with social work training and experience. She works with local agencies to assure that admitted families will fit the program and benefit from it. Most of her time is directly with the families in counseling -- helping them develop plans, monitoring their progress -- and helping them get assistance from appropriate agencies for their situation. While this is direct help as we see it, we realize that care, housing and meals are the most direct and immediate assistance.*

*In 2013, we hope to add a day center for the families as a way to expand our helpfulness. While some of the parents in the network have jobs, some are in the process of finding them and all are in the process of seeking affordable places to live. But only so much daily time is productive in these enterprises and a place to work on their plans, to be and to rest and to reflect is also necessary. The day center is not reflected in the budget and has not been fully described for cost in terms of site, necessary re-building and outfitting.*

Being eager to continue to support these 'least' among us, we respectfully request consideration for a portion of the grant to be made this year.

  
Sandra Brown

member of American Baptist Church, Fort Collins,  
and food coordinator for its participation in FFH



## FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY PROJECT TEAM ANNUAL REPORT

We gratefully report on what we accomplished last year, because without IFC having taken FFH as a project, we could not have had as successful a 2012 as we did.

We were able to provide temporary housing to 26 families in Fort Collins who experienced homelessness last year. We provided 3450 nights of lodging and 5660 meals to 43 adults and 49 children. That's pretty amazing for only our first year of operations. After the first month or so we were almost always full and usually had a waiting list of families needing housing. So clearly the service we provided is needed.

We can document that 8 families moved from FFH into permanent housing and we hope to be able to increase our positive outcomes by continuing to work collaboratively with The Murphy Center, The Community Life Centers, Catholic Charities, The FC Housing Authority and variety of other service organizations.

We raised a total of \$17,500 in 2012.

52% from five of the participating 19 congregations,

38% from 86 individuals and

10% from organizations such as The Foothills Rotary Club, A service club at Ridgeway Classical School, and The Interfaith Council.

We spent \$10,600 in 2012 for a cost of about \$3.00/night/guest for housing. \$2,000 to purchase the 18 beds that move from congregation to congregation with our guests. We were able to pay our family advocate, social worker Sue Peterson, for 10 hours a week. We have been so blessed because she has actually worked many more hours to assist our families and congregations. Our number one goal in 2013 is to increase her paid hours. We also spent money on several single nights in motels for families waiting to enter the program, mileage and supplies.

After a successful IFC-sponsored benefit, raising \$4,500 in November we ended 2012 with a balance of \$10,000 and are working hard to raise the rest of the money we need to continue operations, expand family advocate hours and establish a day center in 2013.

Respectfully submitted:

Russ McCahan, FFH Team Chair

Sue Ferguson, FFH Steering Committee Chair

FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY BUDGET: 2012 ACTUAL AND 2013 PROJECTED

2012 Actual	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
<b>Starting Balance</b>	0	6017	6017	6017	6293	7263	8058	7923	7194	6745	6190	10966	
<b>Income</b>													
Contributions	8017	0	0	600	1620	1405	425		200	60	5366	250	17943
<b>Expenses</b>													
Beds	2,000												2000
Family Advocate			280	560	560	560	560	560	560	560	560	560	4760
Mileage			44	31	50		63	41	55	30	70		383.21
Direct client services				60			73						133
Supplies							32	49					81
<b>Total Expenses</b>	2000	0	0	323.8	650.6	610	560	728.3	649.6	614.9	589.9	630	7,357
<b>Ending Balance</b>	6,017	6,017	6,017	6,293	7,263	8,058	7,923	7,194	6,745	6,190	10,966	10,586	10586

2013 Projected	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
<b>Starting Balance</b>	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	#####	
<b>Income</b>													
Contributions	7000	500	500	3000	500	500	500	500	500	500	4000	500	18500
<b>Expenses</b>													
Beds					600								600
Family Advocate	560	840	840	840	840	840	1120	1120	1120	1120	1120	1120	11480
Mileage	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	600
Direct client services	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	600
Supplies			100			100			100			100	400
Fund Raising	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2400
<b>Total Expenses</b>	860	1140	1240	1140	1140	1240	1420	1420	1520	1420	1420	1520	15480
<b>Ending Balance</b>	16,726	16,086	15,346	17,206	16,566	15,826	14,906	13,986	12,966	12,046	14,626	13,606	