## **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  Organiz						
<ul> <li>Please submit with your application a copy of:</li> <li>Your mission statement</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>						
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 \$2400   year						
5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant						
6. Your other funding source(s) in Kind donations and Fund raisers						
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) Wanda Pago Date 8-19-15						
Printed Name/Title Warda Pace Director						
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 <u>Tina.Turner@abcusa.org</u>. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



## MISSION STATEMENT The Diaper Depot First Baptist Church, Broken Bow Nebraska

Getting to the bottom of things and changing Custer County one diaper at a time.

The purpose of the Diaper Depot Ministry is to act as a Stop-Gap measure when the supply of diapers is out-weighed by the demand for diapers. Diaper Depot will supply low-income families with a small supply of diapers and wipes to fill this need.

Our clear objective is that the Diaper Depot is not intended to supply the families with an entire month's worth of diapers, but to act as a stop-gap measure for that difficult time when the supply is out weighed by demand.

## **Diaper Depot Budget**

First Baptist Church, Broken Bow, NE

	Actual 2014		Actual 2015 Jan - July		Projected 2015 Aug - Dec		Projected 2016 Jan - Dec	
INCOME			1				$\vdash$	Juli Dec
Cash Donations	\$	114.60	\$	395.53	\$	100.00	\$	200.00
Fund Raiser Donations	\$	427.50	\$	153.91	\$	100.00	\$	300.00
Grant Donations	\$	3,000.00			\$	82.84		
In-Kind Donations	\$	554.90	\$	615.00	\$	62.50	\$	700.00
\$.165 cents per diaper 2014	(3363 diapers)		(2460 diapers)		(250 diapers)		(2800 diapers)	
\$.25 per diaper 2015								,
TOTAL Income	\$	4,097.00	\$	1,164.44	\$	345.34	\$	1,200.00
EXPENSES		11 200						
Diapers purchased	\$	831.60	\$	1,176.25	\$	1,000.00	\$	2,500.00
Average \$.165 per diaper 2014	(5040 diapers)		(4705 diapers)		(4000 diapers)		(10,000 diapers)	
Average \$.25 per diaper 2015				5				
Wipes Purchased	\$	150.00	\$	300.00	\$	250.00	\$	650.00
TOTAL expenses	\$	981.60	\$	1,476.25	\$	1,250.00	\$	3,150.00
Account Balance	\$	3,115.40	\$	2,803.59	\$	1,898.93	\$	(51.07)
/olunteer Hours		300		225		175		350

How do you plan to use the requested funds? How will the funds specifically assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?

The Diaper Depot helps low income families by providing a small supply of diapers and wipes once a month. All monies received through this grant would go toward the purchase of diapers and wipes. All work is volunteer.

The Diaper Depot has been in operation for 19 months and has given out over 13,000 diapers. Broken Bow is a community of 3600 population in Custer County with a population of 10,735. We help twenty to thirty families each month, representing thirty to forty-five bottoms. Over the last 19 months, we have helped a total of one hundred different families.

Our goal is to help families that are in need. After a member of our church donated their time at the food pantry, a need was seen to help families with diapers. Just about every family with young children that came to the food pantry was looking for diapers. The focus of the pantry is not diapers. There is no other place in town/county for families in need of diapers to go.

Diaper Depot has partnered with several organizations for referrals. These organizations include WIC (Women, Infants and Children), Custer County Early Childhood Programs, The Broken Bow Ministerial Association, Salvation Army, and the local food pantry.

In Broken Bow, Nebraska, the average cost is \$0.25 per diaper for a non-name brand diaper. This can be a challenge for low income families because some assistance they receive does not cover non food items.

To hold the Diaper Depot and the families who use the Depot accountable, an application form is completed by each family with information including family size, income, major expenses, and sources of other help (ADC, Welfare, Food Stamps and WIC.) Each month that a family uses the Diaper Depot, the family member dates and signs the back of the application, and indicates the size diaper that is received.

The Diaper Depot is open two days per month usually coinciding with when WIC is open in Broken Bow. We let our families know that in case of an emergency, they may call the church and come pick up diapers. We do not want wet and dirty bottoms!!

The Diaper Depot helps families keep their children in diapers clean and dry. We are funded by donations of either money or in-kind, with no money coming from our church budget.

The families that are helped by the Diaper Depot are very appreciative. We are humbled to be able to serve Christ's children in this way.