

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 a direct relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply, and only one application per church or Region will be considered per 12 month period. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions or for capital improvements to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church or Region, checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

1. General Information

Church or Region: First Baptist Church, Oregon City (Oregon)

Region Affiliation with ABCUSA: ABC of the Central Pacific Coast

Ministry or Group receiving these funds: First Baptist Church, Oregon City

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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. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?
see attached page

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

5. Total cost of the project: \$3,372.00

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$3,300.00

7. Your other funding source(s): donations by individuals

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/photos within six months of receipt of the grant.

Application submitted by: Marja Yingling

Date: 2/17/2016

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; September 1 for grants distributed on October 15
- Completed applications should be sent via email to Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.

See the following information and instructions for more details.

MISSION STATEMENTS

School Supplies Mission Statement – Our mission is to provide school supplies for the children whose parents come to our community food pantry. These school supplies help children begin the school year with basic school supplies that they otherwise might not be able to afford.

Based onOutreach Ministry Opportunity – If parents cannot afford food for their children, they probably cannot afford the school supplies required to start every school year.

H.O.P.E. Mission Statement – Our mission is founded in Christian scripture: “He upholds the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.” We hope that at the end of a busy Friday pantry day that our clients can see this motto in action by our volunteers. We desire to be the hands and feet of Christ during this ministry.

FBC-OC Mission Statement – A community of help and hope. We are members of the Body of Christ, believing and living, sharing and caring, growing and going, as active witnesses of the Kingdom of God on earth.

In 1988, five Oregon City churches formed the H.O.P.E. Food Project (Helping Other People Eat) to operate emergency food pantries the year around. The First Baptist Church, Oregon City houses one of the food pantries and distributes food on every Friday.

The need to provide food for the hungry is great. In 2012, almost 11,000 households in the Oregon City area, including Gladstone and West Linn served 43,000 persons. In 2015, there were 11,048 households served by the 5 churches participating in the H.O.P.E. ministry. Families and individuals needing food may come to H.O.P.E approximately every 30 days and receive a nutritionally balanced 3-day supply of food. Eligibility is based on the current USDA Income Guidelines. In addition to food, the H.O.P.E. project tries to provide some dignity/hygiene items, toilet paper, etc. when available.

Realizing that the Oregon City School District has 42.7% students on free or reduced lunch, in 2015, First Baptist Church, Oregon City saw a need to provide school supplies in the month of August for the children (Pre-school to grade 12) of the families served by H.O.P.E. Project. In the summer of 2015, various individuals from First Baptist donated very basic school supplies and FBC-Oregon City handed out school supplies every Friday to those children whose family came in for food during August. Limited amounts of basic school supplies were given out to 110 children. They were very appreciative; however, we ran out of school supplies. Specifically, H.O.P.E at FBC-OC served 219 families on Fridays in August with a total of 729 individuals served. With the Matthew 25 grant money, it would allow FBC-OC to buy more school supplies for the children. For example, FBC-OC was only able to gave each child 100 pieces of notebook paper for the year, 1 spiral notebook, 12 pencils, 2 pens, 10 index cards, 1 eraser, 1 pee-chee, etc. With the grant money, our hope is to be able to provide school supplies for **ALL** the children whose families receive food from H.O.P.E. on Fridays during the month of August 2016, since we ran out of school supplies last year.

Thank you for considering our request and allowing FBC-OC to continue to share God's love by providing school supplies to the children of our community and making the start of school a positive experience because they had the required school supplies needed to begin school.

MATTHEW 25 GRANT BUDGET
School Supplies for Children of the H.O.P.E. Food Pantry Families
First Baptist Church – Oregon City, Oregon

A typical list of required school supplies for one student to begin a school year:
Amounts based costs at Fred Meyer Store on Feb. 4, 2016

1 3-ring notebook	\$ 5.69
1 pkg. notebook paper	\$ 1.69
2 pkg. subject dividers	\$ 3.40 (\$ 1.70 ea.)
1 ruler	\$.49
pair of 1 scissors	\$ 1.89
24 pencils (Ticonderoga) Elem.	\$ 7.58 (\$ 3.79 a doz.)
2 pens	\$ 2.99 for 2
1 Elmer's glue	\$ 1.99
2 glue sticks	\$ 1.99
1 spiral notebook	\$ 1.19
1 composition book	\$ 2.19
1 pencil pouch	\$.99
24 count crayons	\$ 1.39
1 pink eraser	\$.39
1 pkg. of 12 colored pencils	\$ 2.19
1 pee-chee	\$.29
1 compass	\$ 1.69
1 protractor	\$.69
2 highlighters	\$ 1.89
1 pencil sharpeners	\$.99
1 pkg. colored markers	\$ 2.79
1 mechanical pencil (H.S.)	\$ 2.99
1 backpack	\$10.00
1 stapler	\$ 2.69
1 pkg index cards	\$.89
2 sharpie markers	\$ 2.49
1 calculator	<u>\$ 3.99</u>
Total	\$67.44 (for one student)

50 students = \$ 3,372.00 rounding it down to request \$3300.00