

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 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Affiliation with ABCUSA (Check made payable to) ABC/USA Church Pin 3774
Mailing Address 499 Wacawta Street
ST Paul MN 55101
Phone 651 222-0718 Federal Tax ID# ES 28820
Contact person Rev. William England email pastor@firstbaptiststpaul.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 \$11,280.00 annually

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$4,800.00

6. Your other funding source(s) Korean community fundraisers 1st Baptist church
private donations

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) W England Date August 26, 2015

Printed Name/Title Reverend William England, pastor

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 Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL Minnesota

For we are partners working together for God. (1 Corinthians 3:9)

Possible Revision of "Our Vision"

To be a transformed committed community cooperatively seeking unity in Christ.

Our Vision

Individuals, institutions and our community are being transformed by participating in God's just and merciful activity.

Our Mission

The mission of First Baptist Church of Saint Paul is to witness to God's grace, exemplified in Jesus Christ, as we:

Reach out deliberately and welcome people of all ages, races, cultures and backgrounds.

Care for one another.

Provide opportunities for spiritual renewal and growth.

Gather for worship and prayer.

Promote peace and social justice.

Work as American Baptists in partnership with other organizations and faith communities to further the Kingdom of God.

Welcome Guests!

We are so pleased you have chosen to worship here today and hope you will visit again! If you are looking for a church home, or would like to know more about First Baptist Church, please give us your name and how to contact you on the "Friendship in Worship" slip inside your bulletin. Hand in this slip to the usher during the offering. We'll have someone contact you as soon as possible.

Wish to Join?

Perhaps you have been visiting with us for a while and feel God is leading you to become a member of this congregation. It would be a joy to welcome you into the Christian fellowship of First Baptist. If your desire is to join today, please indicate on the "Friendship in Worship" slip inside your bulletin. Hand in this slip to the usher during the offering.



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Ms. Sheila Ahlbrand
Mrs. Raquel P. Gibbs
Mrs. Geri Johnson
Ms. Cleveland Donazal
Ms. Roi Saga

Budget for the Karen Transportation Project

Income

\$2.00 round trip fees \$120.00/week

(12 store "runs" of 5 people each)

Store rebates to project \$30.00/week

Donations \$120.00/week

(First Baptist Church, Karen community...)

Matt 25 grant \$200.00/week

\$470.00/week \$940.00/month

Expenses

Drivers \$10.00/hour \$150.00/week

(6 X 2.5 hours)

Coordinator/administrator \$100.00/week

Gas \$30.00/week

Maintenance \$50.00/week

Insurance/misc \$50.00/week

Vehicle replacement fund \$90.00/week

\$470.00/week \$940.00/month

3.

Karen transportation proposal (draft)

There are 8,000 ethnic Karen people living in St Paul, MN. It is the largest concentration of Karen in the U. S. Almost all have arrived here as refugees, forced to leave Burma by a brutal dictatorship. Many have only recently arrived (within the last 5 years).

They face numerous challenges in adapting to life in Minnesota.

One of the biggest challenges is transportation. It is often difficult to shop and transport groceries from the store to the places they live. Large families require many bags of food and rice. For many without adequate transportation this is difficult.

We are proposing a simple shuttle service from homes to nearby Asian grocery stores. Drivers would be Karen speaking persons. At first there would be two "runs" every weekday evening and two on Saturday. This service would operate two times a month.

Group A (Up to ten people) would be picked up from their apartments at 6:00 pm and brought to a store.

Group B (from a different apartment complex) would be picked up at 6:30 and brought to the store.

At 7:15 Group A would be picked up at the store and brought home.

At 7:45 Group B would be picked up at the store and brought home.

The fare would be \$2.00/person/round trip. Reservations would be taken at least two days in advance of the shopping. If seats were available a person may be able to participate at the time of the "run" on a standby basis.

First Baptist Church of Saint Paul would make 2 vans available for this service. FBC would also be the insurance carrier for this ministry.

There would be a person who would be the coordinator, receiving calls and confirming reservations.

Each apartment complex (where concentrations of Karen live) would have a contact captain.