

## 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 OF WORCESTER  
Affiliation with ABCUSA (Check made payable to) FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WORCESTER  
Mailing Address 111 PARK AVENUE  
WORCESTER MA 01609-1409  
Phone (508) 755-6143 Federal Tax ID# 04-2104029  
Contact person Lyn Stevens email lyn1n.stevens@gmail.com  
or Andrea Lebourneau Asst. Treasurer AndreaL@fbc-worc.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 Currently \$3667.08 for 2015

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$4800<sup>00</sup>

6. Your other funding source(s) From Outreach Team Budget Yearly

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) Andrea S. Lebourneau Date 9/1/2015

Printed Name/Title Andrea S. Lebourneau Assistant Treasurer

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](mailto:Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org). Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



# **The First Baptist Church, Worcester**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*We are a community of believers who seek to grow in our faith and understanding as we live the Way of Jesus Christ*

### **Inclusion**

*We welcome all in Christ's Love*

### **Freedom of Faith**

*Individual interpretation of God's word and freedom of Expression are cornerstones of our faith*

### **Service**

*We seek to be a Christ-like presence in the world*

### **Spiritual Growth**

*We encourage all to seek Christian Growth*

**The First Baptist Church, Worcester  
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[www.fbc-worc.org](http://www.fbc-worc.org)**

Budget for Mustard Seed Ministry  
for 2015

Income:

Currently from the Outreach Team Budget

Allocated	\$3,000
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Expenses:

Food Purchases for One Meal a Month to Feed 165 People

Chicken Nuggets	\$124.80
Corn	\$47.84
Salads	\$17.73
Salad Dressing	\$6.98
Wheat Bread	\$39.84
2% Gallon of Milk	\$19.12
Cookies	\$38.30
Disposable Foam Plates	\$10.98
	\$305.59

Costs for 12 Months	\$3,667.08
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Overage	(\$667.08)
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ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant Application Request  
for the Mustard Seed Ministry of  
First Baptist Church, Worcester, MA

The First Baptist Church is currently applying for the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant in the amount of \$4,800 to be used for the Mustard Seed Ministry here in the city of Worcester, Massachusetts.

Once a month, on the last Tuesday of the month, food is purchased, cooked and delivered to the Mustard Seed Facility on 25 Piedmont Street here in Worcester. There are about 165 people that line up for this supper meal. We are currently seeing more people of various ethnic groups in the city line up to be fed due to unemployment and homelessness in today's current economic times.

We currently spend about \$1.85 to feed one individual. (See our Current Budget Sheet -  $\$305.59/165 = \$1.85$  per individual). The rising costs of food to feed more people at this time with our allocated amounts does not permit us to do so. This grant would allow us to be able to feed 200 people in the future.

We thank you for your time and consideration in selecting us as a Matthew 25 Grant recipient.