

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 Somerville Community Baptist Church (Heartly Meals For All)
Affiliation with ABCUSA (Check made payable to) The ABC of MA (SABC)
Mailing Address 31 College Ave, Somerville MA 02144
Phone 617-625-6523 Federal Tax ID# 042135761
Contact person Rev. David Lee email davidminalove@gmail.com

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.

please see the attached document.

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.)

please see the attached document.

4. Total cost of the project \$ 12,000.00

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$ 5,000.00

6. Your other funding source(s) church Missions Board, Individual Donors, Fundraisers,

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) [Signature] Date 8/17/2015

Printed Name/Title Rev. David J.Y. Lee / Senior 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.



3. How the Somerville Community Baptist Church's (SCBC) Matthew 25 Grant funding would assist those battling poverty and the effects of poverty:

SCBC is a vibrant and diverse congregation of people from many countries and backgrounds who come together to worship God and make use of our differing gifts and talents for the glory of the Lord.

We are a small but rapidly growing congregation of less than 100 that strives to serve our local community by prudently investing the resources available to us. One way we accomplish this is by endeavoring to serve our neighbors as we would like to be served ourselves.

Typified by high costs of housing and living, with a population nearing 79,000 in just four square miles, Somerville, Massachusetts has the distinction of being the most densely populated city in New England.¹ Our church is located next door to *Ciampa Manor*, a 53-unit federally funded senior and young disabled housing development. Further, in addition to the roughly 15% of our city living below the federal poverty threshold, we have many families, college students, and elderly who are either working poor and/or food insecure – that is they struggle to feed themselves adequate nutrition at least part of a typical month.

SCBC would like to use Matthew 25 funding to support our efforts to address hunger and inadequate nutrition in our community by partnering with *Hearty Meals for All*, a Somerville nonprofit spearheaded by a local professional chef and two licensed social workers.

The SCBC - Hearty Meals for All ministry provides a welcoming gathering place where typically 60 to 80 homeless people, seniors, neighbors and guests enjoy a stable environment in which they partake of a nutritious, fresh, and healthy meal prepared by a culinary trained chef and served in fine dining style by members of our congregation and volunteers in the community. In addition to table service, SCBC provides use of our kitchen facilities and dining space, holds food drives, and provides dinnerware/dinner service supplies for the once monthly community meals.

The monthly expense to the church covering food, additional gas and electric utilities, and materials supplies is currently approximately \$800-900 per month.

If we are blessed with Matthew 25 funding, SCBC will be able to do for the least of these as we would do for our Lord Jesus Christ by feeding the hungry in our midst, offering drink to the thirsty, and taking in the stranger. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of our application.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rev. David J.Y. Lee

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, 2009 – 2013; Population Quick Facts, <http://www.census.gov/quickfacts>; <http://www.somervillema.gov/about-somerville>.

Hearty Meals for All --INCOME & EXPENSES: 2015 (Budget/YTD) and 2016 (Projected)

		2015 BUDGET	2015 YTD (Thru July)	2016 BUDGET				
INCOME		\$14,000	\$6,797	\$7,500				
	Grants	\$7,000	\$250	\$500	Reducing per 2015 yield			
	Fundraising / Contributions	\$7,000	\$6,547	\$7,000				
EXPENSES		\$12,000	\$6,639	\$12,000				
	GENERAL EXPENSES	\$9,000	\$5,342	\$9,000				
	Misc	\$50	\$10	\$1,000	Increasing for kitchen equip repair			
	Personnel	\$5,400	\$3,150	\$5,400				
	Legal / Accounting	\$300	\$0	\$300				
	Outreach & Advertising	\$250	\$91	\$200				
	Insurance	\$3,000	\$2,091	\$2,100	Reducing per 2015 spend			
	MEAL EXPENSES	\$3,000	\$1,297	\$3,000				
	Food & supplies	\$3,000	\$1,080	\$2,400	Capping spend at \$200/meal			
IN KIND								
	IN KIND INCOME	\$13,000	\$6,504	\$11,500				
	RENT	\$10,000	\$5,833	\$10,000				
	FOOD	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,000	Reducing per 2015 spend			
	OTHER	\$1,000	\$171	\$500	Reducing per 2015 spend			

Hearty Meals for All -- August 2015 Board of Directors Meeting Budget Forecast

Forecast with no further incoming funds:

HMFA 2015 --PROJECTIONS											
	AUG	AUG	SEP	SEP	OCT	OCT	NOV	NOV	DEC	DEC	
	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	
STARTING BALANCE	\$1,464.00		\$864.00		\$264.00		(\$336.00)		(\$936.00)		
INCOME											
Grants	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Fundraising / Contributions	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	Fall Fundraiser	\$0.00		\$0.00		
EXPENSES											
Personnel	\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		
Insurance	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Primary meal expenses	\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		
Additional meal expenses											
END OF MONTH BALANCE	\$864.00		\$264.00		(\$936.00)		(\$936.00)		(\$1,536.00)		

Forecast assuming \$1500 Fall Fundraiser in October:

HMFA 2015 --PROJECTIONS											
	AUG	AUG	SEP	SEP	OCT	OCT	NOV	NOV	DEC	DEC	
	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	\$	NOTES	
STARTING BALANCE	\$1,464.00		\$864.00		\$264.00		\$1,164.00		\$564.00		
INCOME											
Grants	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Fundraising / Contributions	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$1,500.00	Fall Fundraiser	\$0.00		\$0.00		
EXPENSES											
Personnel	\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		\$450.00		
Insurance	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Primary meal expenses	\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		\$150.00		
Additional meal expenses											
END OF MONTH BALANCE	\$864.00		\$264.00		\$1,164.00		\$564.00		(\$36.00)		