

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 Westview Baptist Church
Affiliation with ABCUSA (Check made payable to) Westview Baptist Church
Mailing Address 2031 Westview Dr, Indpls, IN 46221

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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. 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 21,500.00 per year

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

6. Your other funding source(s) Families from our Church that prepare the meals and some donations from other members

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) Janet Taylor Date 08/15/15

Printed Name/Title Asst. Sec. Westview Baptist

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.





Westview Baptist Church

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Rev. George Schoonmaker, Pastor

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August 11, 2015

Dear All,

I would like to give you background on our Church to support our wish for donations of gift cards or products. We could desperately use some help with our 100th Anniversary open house we are trying to have.

Our Church, Westview Baptist is located at 2031 Westview Dr., Indpls, IN 46221. Our Church turns 100 years old this year and with that said so much of our things are old and in need of repair or we don't even have because we have a very small budget due to the Church is in a very low income area.

We have a budget of approximately 56K a year, which is very small but we do great things despite our humble means. Our Pastor, Rev. George Schoonmaker and his wife Jenny are amazing. They alone do so much for the Church, not only in time and effort but financially. They have been there for 21 years and their service and dedication to the Church is overwhelming.

We run a food pantry which is all donated by the members of the Church and we turn no one away that ask for help. We also have a bread ministry that Pastor George and one of our other members facilitates, they go to one of the local stores and pick up bread and pastries that are close to the expiration dates and on Wednesday nights we give that bread away to anyone who comes in and needs it.

On Tuesday night, Pastor George conducts a "Recovery thru Christ" for people with additions, emotional needs etc.

Wednesday nights we have a "Meal Ministry" where we prepare a dinner for approximately 75 to 120 people each week. These dinners are paid for by a few members of the Church that prepare them. We have no financial budget for these dinners. These are totally funded by individuals and some donations from other members who love to serve those less fortunate than they are. Each meal cost approx. \$200 to \$250 and the time and effort of those that prepare it.


We have a great group of young people that attend our Church, some of them their parents attend but many are just neighborhood children. Miss Jenny, Pastor George's wife runs our youth group and she is so very dedicated to these kids. We have a Church yard sale every year and the money from this goes to the youth fund for different activities during the year. Rafting, fishing, Kings Island, skating. We do as many activities as the budget allows. We also have lock-ins for the kids at the Church; we have movies, pizza, snacks and a sleep over (girls upstairs, boys downstairs!) and lots of chaperones. Last year we

started a camping trip down to some property my Husband and I own, had a hayride for them, wiener roast, took them to a historic site and park it was amazing, they had a ball running around the small 4 acres we have. My Husband and I along with Pastor and Miss Jenny totally pay for all the expense, food, van rental, gas, we had 24 attend! We are going again this year and adding a day for more fun.

Our Church is a pillar and wonderful source of support, love and guidance in the community that surrounds it and I hope that this gives you a sense of who we are, our mission and helps in the consideration of any donations.

Thank you for your considerations, may God bless you as he has all of us at Westview Baptist Church.

Sincerely,



Janet Taylor

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Westview Weekly Outreach dinner budget for 2015

Projected Wednesday night dinners

Perisable food approx 250.00 weekly

(includes food for meal
preperation, drinks
(coffee, koolaid etc)

\$ 13,000.00

Paper supplies

\$ 3,000.00

paper plates, cups
napkins, storage
containers etc. table
cloths.

Cleaning Supplies

\$ 1,000.00

dish soap, mopping chemicals and supplies

Utilities

added expense for Wednesday dinners

\$ 4,500.00

\$ 21,500.00