

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.

1. General Information:

Organization Name Avon Baptist Church – Food Pantry.
Affiliation with ABCUSA: Avon Baptist Church (Old Colony Association of TABCOM)
Address 119 North Main St. Avon, Ma. 02322

Phone 508-583-8076 Federal Tax ID# 22-2509195
Contact person M Janet Jensen email avonbaptistchurch1@verizon.net

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 Approximately \$6,000.00 annually

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

6. Your other funding source(s) Individual 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) Rev. John M Goss Date 2/29/2016

Printed Name/Title Rev. John M Goss - 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 beth.fogg@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.





Avon Baptist Church ~119 North Main St. ~ Avon ~ Massachusetts ~ 02322

www.avonbaptistchurch.org

Rev. John M. Goss

Office: 508-583-8076

pastor_avonbaptist@verizon.net

February 29, 2016

Dear Matthew 25 Panel,

Greetings I am writing to request a grant on behalf of the Avon Baptist Church. I am requesting this based for the purpose of purchasing food items to be distributed to families in our community through our church's food pantry.

The Mission of the Avon Food Pantry...

The Avon Food Pantry is to be a ministry of the Avon Baptist Church and exists to share the love of Jesus with the Avon Community by providing basic food supplies to any residents of the town who come to us and express a need.

This ministry assists the people of our community by providing them with food supplies on a monthly basis. Avon is a small community consisting of about 4,500 residents. The Food Pantry has historically served approximately 20 families each month.

This ministry has existed by the generosity of individual donors and the Avon Baptist Church. The church provides for all administrative costs. This means we can use all donations to purchase food items. 100% of donations are used to purchase food to be distributed. However due to the increase in need donations have not met the need and we have come near the end of our cash reserves.

We are requesting the Matthew 25 grant so that we may continue serving those in need in our community in the name of Jesus. We are requesting \$2,500.00. Last year we spend \$6912.95 and expect the need to be greater in the year to come. The entirety of this grant would be used to purchase food which will be distributed to those in need.

I have enclosed financial statements from 2014 and 2015 . Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,

Rev. John M Goss - Pastor



Avon Baptist Church ~119 North Main St. ~ Avon ~ Massachusetts ~ 02322

www.avonbaptistchurch.org

Rev. John M. Goss

Office: 508-583-8076

pastor_avonbaptist@verizon.net

February 29, 2016

Financial Projection

In 2015 our donations averaged approximately \$414.00 per month.

In 2015 our current level of need is approximately \$576.00 per month.

These projections leave us with a monthly shortfall of \$162.00 or \$1945.00 annually.

We are requesting the amount of \$2,500.00 because we are anticipating this ministry to grow. If we were to add additional families we could expect our need to grow even beyond our current projections.

Thank you for your consideration.

Special Funds Held In Church Checking Account

2015	Food Pantry			Donations	Withdrawals	Balance
January 1	Balance					\$ 381766
1 19	Paid from treasury ch. B membership				2500	379266
18	Donation			5000		384266
19	Paid Visa				60664	323602
25	Donations			13000		336602
2 1	"			10000		346602
19	Paid Visa				12687	333915
22	Donation			14000		347915
3 1	"			2500		350415
8	"			12000		362415
15	"			500		362915
22	"			6000		368915
24	Paid Visa				76014	292901
4 12	Louise Hardiman			60000		352901
19	Donation			12000		364901
26	"			2000		366901
5 1	Paid Visa				59643	307258
10	Donation			10000		317258
17	"			14000		331258
24	"			2000		333258
25	Paid Visa				45750	287508
6 14	Donation			2000		289508
22	Paid Visa				59864	229644
28	Donation			12000		241644
7 12	"			8000		249644
7 20	Paid Visa				40143	209501
19	Donations			20000		229501
26	"			25000		254501
8 9	"			3000		252501
16	"			5000		262501
18	Paid Visa				23826	238625
23	Donation			2000		240625
9 6	"			2000		242625
21	"			2500		
21	Paid Visa				73294	171881
27	Donation			4500		176381
10 1	"			20000		196381
21	Paid Visa				101176	95205
25	Donation			15000		110205
11 8	"			7000		117205

Food Pantry

Date	General Bep	Donation	Withdrawal	Balance
11/8	forwarded			117205
15	Food Pantry	120000		237205
15	" " Thanksgiving	7000		
22	" "	4000		
22	Gretz concert	20400		268605
23	Paid Visa		971 94	171411
29	Donation.	5500		176911
26	"	4000		180911
13	"	15000		195911
20	"	10000		205911
16	Paid Visa		38540	167371
27	Donation	20000		187371 ✓
		496900	691295	