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 described above. The applying ministry must be directly affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to submit an application. Only one application per church or region will be considered within a 24-month period. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions, rainy day fund, church benevolent fund, or for capital improvements to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church or Region that is applying for the grant; checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

Tab through the document to fill in all the fields below.

<u>Applicant Information</u>

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 Name of Church or Region: Trinity Baptist Church
 Mailing Address: 115 Massachusetts Ave, Arlington, MA 02474
 Phone: 781-643-4771
 Federal Tax ID#: 046 000 022
 Region: Greater Boston Area
 Contact person (person completing this form): Alan Smith
 Barbara Anderson, President
 Email: trinitybaptistarlingtonma@gmail.com
 abwbarbara@gmail.com

Affiliation with American Baptist Churches USA: Church Region Other, please explain Ministry Organization recognized on the ABC USA mission giving form.

Does your church contribute to United Mission? Xes No

Have you previously been awarded an ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant? Yes	No
If so, have you submitted your report on the use of the funds? Yes	lo

2. What ministry or group will use these funds? All Hands In

If this application is being submitted on behalf of another organization or ministry, you agree to be the fiscal agent for any grant funds awarded. (please initial)

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds? Please include a <u>very brief and specific</u> statement on how the money will be spent. For example: to purchase school supplies for 100 elementary school children; to provide summer camp scholarships for 10 children from low-income families; purchase diapers and wipes to single mothers. You are encouraged to attach a longer description (no more than one page) of the ministry or project.

All Hands In intends to use the requested funds to provide one 2-night, weekend retreat for women survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation; to cover prohibitive costs of transportation to and from said retreat; to provide one 1-day retreat in the Greater Boston Area for women survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation; and to provide one 1-day retreat in the Greater Boston Area for those who work in support of survivors (i.e. social workers, counselors, therapists, and caregivers).

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects? What impact do you hope to make on the target group or community?

Human Trafficking is a criminal business that profits from enslaving people for sexual servitude or exploitation, or from forced and exploitative labor. It is the fastest growing and second largest criminal industry in the world today – second only to drug trafficking and tied with illegal arms dealing – according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Traffickers specifically seek out homeless women and children, often manipulating victims' low feelings of self-worth with praise and promises of easy money. Women who choose to engage in sex work without the lure of a trafficker often do so initially as a way to escape poverty.

By lifting up these women, All Hands In hopes to undo the negative effects that Human Trafficking and poverty have had on their lives. Specifically, the three retreats to be funded by the Matthew 25 Grant would provide a space in which women survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation can experience respite and healing while joining with allies. By offering the 1-day retreat explicitly for those who work in support of survivors, All Hands In hopes to ease the heavy load taken on by these allies, many of whom work long and arduous hours and have little time or resources to spend on themselves, and to ultimately prevent the burnout which is all-too-common in the field of social services.

All three retreats would be offered to participants at no cost.

- 5. Total cost of the project: \$6,300
- 6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$5,000
- 7. List other funding source(s): Boston Baptist Social Union
- 8. Please submit along 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.

By submitting this application on behalf of (church/region/organization name) All Hands In, I certify that all the information submitted with this application is true and correct. We agree to use and/or disburse any grant funds awarded for the sole purpose as described within this application. We will supply a 1-page report on the use of the funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant.

Application submitted by (name of person): Alan Smith (your name typed here is your electronic signature)

Date: 9/8/16

Please note:

- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Recipients agree to share their stories via the ABCUSA website.
- Application deadline September 1. Grants will be distributed no later than October 15.
- Only electronic submissions of completed applications and supporting documents will be accepted. Completed applications should be sent via email to Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org.
- Please review the instructions that follow and initial at the bottom to indicate you have read this information.

Instructions and information for completing the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant application

1. General information

Applicants must be a recognized ABC church, Region office or organization <u>directly</u> affiliated with an ABC organization such as ABCUSA, ABHMS and IM.

An ABC church or region may submit an application for a ministry they are supporting. If a grant is awarded, the church or region assumes fiscal responsibility for the use of these funds.

Checks will be made payable to the ABC church, region or affiliated organization. Checks will not be made to an individual or ministry.

3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the requested funds?

Briefly describe what will be purchased with the grant funds if awarded. Be specific with the expected use of these funds. This should be a very short and specific statement on where the money will be spent and not include a narrative of the ministry project.

You are encouraged to provide a longer description of the ministry but this additional information must be limited to no more than one page in length.

Please note that grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions and salaries, for capital improvements to church facilities, or to maintain a "Rainy Day fund," or church benevolent fund.

4. How will the funds assist individuals battling poverty and its effects?

Describe how the Matthew 25 grant funds will benefit those less fortunate. What effect and impact do you hope to have on individuals battling poverty or the community you are hoping to serve?

5. Total cost of the project

List the total amount of this project or ministry need.

6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant.

One application per church or region will be considered per 24 month period. The maximum amount awarded is \$5,000. If you have previously been a Matthew 25 grant recipient, you must have submitted a follow-up report in order to be eligible to reapply.

7. Your other funding source(s).

List all other sources providing funding for this ministry.

8. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement

Include as an attachment a copy of the church or ministry's mission statement.

- A financial statement for this ministry

This budget or projected budget must include specific expenses and income for the ministry applying for the Matthew 25 grant funding. Church budgets are not acceptable.

Other information and requirements

By submitting an application,

- You certify that all information submitted is true and correct;
- You agree to use and/or disburse any awarded grant funds for the sole purpose as described within this application;

- You agree to supply a one page report on the use of funds and a photo/photos within six months of receipt of the grant;
- You give ABCUSA permission to share your story via the ABCUSA website or newsletter;
- You give ABCUSA permission to use the photograph(s) submitted for printing and/or posting.

I have reviewed the instructions provided. (initial here) AS

Your typed name and initials are your electronic signatures on this document.

Sanctuary by the Sea Program Description



Sanctuary by the Sea is All Hands In's retreat program, offering women survivors of Human Trafficking and sexual exploitation safe spaces to rest, heal, and draw nearer to God, all free of cost.

2016 marks the third year of All Hands In's Sanctuary by the Sea program, and in late September 2016, we will be hosting our 3rd annual Sanctuary by the Sea weekend retreat. The retreat itself lasts from Friday evening through Sunday morning, and consists of a range of activities, including devotional & quiet times, time for fellowship amongst survivors and allies¹, prayer, and worship. In order to create as safe an environment as possible, the location of the retreat is not made public. In addition, all survivors who attend are encouraged to invite a mentor or counselor to join them on the retreat. This practice has proven vital to the success of our weekend retreats, as some previous attendees would not have taken part in the retreat without their guest.

Each year the retreat has steadily grown, and this year 20 women are expected to attend, up from 12 in 2015. In years past, the Sanctuary by the Sea program has been funded by the Boston Baptist Social Union and a World Day of Prayer Grant from the North American Baptist Women's Union.

In 2017, with the additional funding we hope to secure through the Matthew 25 Grant, All Hands In hopes to expand the Sanctuary by the Sea program to include 2 additional one-day retreats here in the Greater Boston Area. One retreat, exclusively for women survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation, will provide a similar experience to our two-day retreat. We hope that offering a one-day retreat will increase survivor participation for future two-day retreats while also increasing All Hands In's visibility in the community. The other retreat will be exclusively for those who work directly with survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation. This retreat will center on a relaxation activity, such as massage or a free concert, as a showing of support to these professionals and volunteers while also increasing All Hands In's visibility in the community.

¹ Allies can be defined here as mentors, therapists, and others who work directly with this population; the guests of survivors in attendance; and women from All Hands In's Board of Directors – all of whom are ABC members.

All Hands In Mission Statement:

All Hands In is committed to fighting human trafficking in the Greater Boston Area by raising awareness through community outreach and education, and by providing assistance directly to survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

By 2018, we hope to open a 24-month residence program for survivors to heal while gaining tools & skills for building a new life of their choosing.

One 2-night, weekend retreat		
Materials	\$350	
Facilitator Honorarium	\$150	
Accommodations	\$2,800	
(\$140 per person)		
Transportation	\$1,200	
(appr. 4 plane tickets)		
Subtotal:	\$4,500	
One 1-day, survivor retreat		
Speaker or Performer Fee	\$300	
Food & Drink	\$400	
Location Rental	\$200	
Subtotal:	\$900	
One 1-day, support services retreat		
Massage Therapists	\$500	
or Performer Fee		
Refreshments	\$200	
Location rental	\$200	
Subtotal:	\$900	
Total:	\$6,300*	

Sanctuary by the Sea Program Budget:

*\$1,300 in excess of \$5,000 requested to come from additional funding source Boston Baptist Social Union.

