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." The donor's primary concern is to help ameliorate poverty. ABCUSA will distribute grants of up to \$5,000 semi-annually as long as the generosity of this donor continues. A panel will select recipients 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.

1. General Informati

Organiza	ation Name <u> </u>	Baptist Churches of the Rochester Genesee Region
Affiliation	with ABCUSA	
Address_	1100 S Goodman Stre	et, Rochester NY 14620
Phone	585 -340-9521	_Federal Tax ID#_16-0743918
Contact p	erson Rev. Alan Newton	email exec@abcrgr.org

- 2. Please submit with your application a copy of:
 - Your mission statement (In Annual Report Bylaws section)
 - Your most recent annual report or audited financial statement (Attached)
- 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____ \$35,790
- 5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$5,000
- 6. Your other funding source(s) Monroe County DHS Wage Subsidy \$7,000 Community Block Grant from Action for a Better Community \$5000, Lake Avenue Baptist Church (in-kind building use) \$1,200, ABCRGR \$4,000, Fundraising \$12,800

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) Date December 13, 2012

Printed Name/Title Rev. Alan Newton, Executive Minister

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 to:

Mission Resource Development American Baptist Churches USA P.O. Box 851

Valley Forge, PA **19482-0851**

Or emailed to: Beth.Fogg@abc-usa.org



Matthew 25 Grant - Project Description

In August 2012 a collaboration of American Baptists, United Methodists and Roman Catholics and a local agency – Action for a Better Community developed a project called FOCUS PLUS. This is a program uses an adult mentoring model to help persons who are living below the poverty line move toward self-sufficiency.

Participants are generally assigned through the Department of Human Services WEP (Welfare Education Program) and attend a 15 week intensive course which assists the participants to establish goals and to overcome obstacles preventing them from achieving self-sufficiency. After the 15 week course the FOCUS PLUS mentoring program begins and continues for at least 6 months.

In Focus Plus the program participants are designated the Team Captains and the mentors are Teammates. The program is intentionally designed to empower individuals to chart their own course with the support of caring Christians who will encourage and help resource their Captains.

The program meets for an evening meal every other week for 6 months. After the 6 months participants and mentors are given the opportunity to continue should they desire to do so. During the next week Captains and Teammates check in by phone, email or in person.

The budget is utilized primarily to fund a volunteer coordinator. The present coordinator is a FOCUS graduate. The position is funded by the faith partners and a subsidy which is available this year from the Department of Human Services WEP program for programs which employ former WEP clients.

We have just completed our first "class." The results indicate that all the Team Captains met some of their goals. Most obtained their GED and are now working on obtaining their driver's licenses. (The two necessary elements of obtaining and sustaining employment.) Most have set a new goal of beginning study at the local community college. Two Team Captains were fully employed during the 6 month program.

The Teammate (Mentors) reported gaining a better understanding of the barriers which impede many people's journey to self-sufficiency and experienced great satisfaction in building bonds of friendship with their Captains.

All of the participants are young women under the age of 30. Most have children and bring the children to the Focus Plus meetings. Childcare is provided during the program portion following a nutritious meal.

We begin our second class in mid-January and will be adding new participants every 15 weeks throughout 2013.

It is my hope that you will see the value of this project. Already it has changed the culture of Action for a Better Community which is incorporating the principles of empowerment throughout its programs.

REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF THE ROCHESTER/GENESEE REGION

DECEMBER 31, 2011

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

To the Executive Board
American Baptist Churches of the Rochester/Genesee Region

We have reviewed the accompanying statements of financial position of American Baptist Churches of the Rochester/Genesee Region as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, statements of functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of company management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.

Our responsibility is to conduct the reviews in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our report.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

(Formerly known as Freed Maxick & Battaglia, CPAs, P.C.)

Freed Maxick CPAs, P.C.

Rochester, New York

May 7, 2012

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION As of December 31, See Independent Accountant's Review Report

ASSETS	2011	2010
Current assets: Cash Loans to churches Total current assets	\$ 14,506 662 15,168	\$ 6,486 4,915 11,401
Investments	635,093	668,652
Loans to churches	-	1,184
Property and equipment: Land Churches and parsonages Furniture and equipment Less: accumulated depreciation Net property and equipment Total assets LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	44,390 399,410 44,325 488,125 276,034 212,091	25,600 230,300 44,325 300,225 274,625 25,600 \$ 706,837
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Total current liabilities	\$3,260 3,260	\$ 9,531 9,531
Net assets: Unrestricted Temporarily restricted Permanently restricted Total net assets Total liabilities and net assets	192,771 404,384 261,937 859,092 \$	30,737 404,632 261,937 697,306 \$ 706,837

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS For The Year Ended December 31, 2011 See Independent Accountant's Review Report

	<u>Ur</u>	nrestricted	,	Temporarily Restricted	,	Permanently Restricted	_	Total
Support and revenue:								•
Contributions	\$	306,983	\$	18,748	\$	-	\$	325,731
Specific ministries		40,345		-		•		40,345
Loan interest income		114		-		-		114
Investment income		1,801		14,854		•		16,655
Net assets released from restriction		33,850		(33,850)		<u>-</u>		
Total support and revenue		383,093		(248)		•		382,845
Functional expenses:								
Program services		146,023		-		-		146,023
Management and general		42,776		-			_	42,776
Total functional expenses		188,799		**		M	_	188,799
Changes in net assets before								
loss on investments		194,294		(248)		-		194,046
Unrealized loss on investments		(23,193)		-		-		(23,193)
Realized loss on investments		(9,067)					_	(9,067)
Increase (decrease) in net assets		162,034		(248)		-		161,786
Net assets, beginning of year		30,737		404,632		261,937		697,306
Net assets, end of year	\$	192,771	\$	404,384	\$	261,937	\$_	859,092

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For The Year Ended December 31, 2010

See Independent Accountant's Review Report

	Uı	nrestricted	,	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted		Total	
Support and revenue:								
Contributions	\$	126,473	\$	-	\$ -	\$	126,473	
Specific ministries		58,363		-	11,960		70,323	
Loan interest income		449		-	-		449	
Investment income		899		17,178	-		18,077	
Net assets released from restriction		23,800		(23,800)		_		
Total support and revenue		209,984		(6,622)	11,960		215,322	
Realized gain on investments								
Functional expenses:								
Program services		139,590		-	-		139,590	
Management and general		53,473				_	53,473	
Total functional expenses		193,063		-		_	193,063	
Changes in net assets before gain								
on investments		16,921		(6,622)	11,960		22,259	
Unrealized gain on investments		50,413		-	-		50,413	
Realized gain on investments		451				_	451	
Increase (decrease) in net assets		67,785		(6,622)	11,960		73,123	
Net assets, beginning of year		(37,048)		411,254	249,977	_	624,183	
Net assets, end of year	\$	30,737	\$	404,632	\$ 261,937	\$_	697,306	

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES For The Year Ended December 31, 2011 See Independent Accountant's Review Report

	_	Program Services	_	Management and General	 Total
Salaries	\$	73,180	\$	24,588	\$ 97,768
Payroll taxes and fringe benefits		15,909		9,318	25,227
Depreciation		705		705	1,410
Dues, assessments and other		586		586	1,172
Events sponsored		6,697		-	6,697
Grants to specific ministries		25,201		-	25,201
Occupancy		7,472		2,490	9,962
Office and other services		3,650		1,420	5,070
Professional fees		-		3,200	3,200
Program committee expenses		1,901		-	1,901
Staff travel and reimbursed expenses		10,572		269	10,841
Investment fees		-		200	200
Support and assistance		150	_	-	 150
Total functional expenses	\$	146,023	\$_	42,776	\$ 188,799

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES For The Year Ended December 31, 2010 See Independent Accountant's Review Report

	 Program Services		Management and General	- <u></u>	Total
Salaries	\$ 73,18 1	\$	32,251	\$	105,432
Payroll taxes and fringe benefits	14,709		12,278		26,987
Dues, assessments and other	2,354		2,354		4,708
Events sponsored	5,106		-		5,106
Grants to specific ministries	23,892		-		23,892
Occupancy	6,935		2,311		9,246
Office and other services	5,291		2,057		7,348
Professional fees	-		1,900		1,900
Program committee expenses	56		-		56
Staff travel and reimbursed expenses	7,901		172		8,073
Investment fees	-		150		150
Support and assistance	 165	.			165
Total functional expenses	\$ 139,590	\$_	53,473	\$	193,063

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the year ended December 31, See Independent Accountant's Review Report

	_	2011		2010
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Changes in net assets	\$	161,786	\$	73,123
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to	•	,	•	. 5,125
net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation		1,410		-
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments		23,193		(50,413)
Realized (gain) loss on investments		9,067		(451)
Contribution of property		(187,900)		<u></u>
(Decrease) increase in liabilities:				
Accounts payable		(6,271)	_	3,723
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,285		25,982
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from sales of investments		242,348		20,899
Purchases of investments		(241,050)		(53,477)
Loan repayments from churches	_	5,437	_	11,912
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities		6,735		(20,666)
Net increase in cash		8,020		5,316
Cash - beginning of year		6,486		1,170
Cash - end of year	\$	14,506	\$	6,486
Noncash investing and financing activities: Acquisition of contributed property	\$	187,900	\$	_
Addistrol of contributed property	Ψ	107,000	Ψ	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS See Independent Accountant's Review Report

NOTE 1. NATURE OF BUSINESS

The American Baptist Churches of the Rochester/Genesee Region (the "Region") is a not-for-profit corporation, incorporated in 1827 under Section 803 of the New York State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, to promote unity, growth, and outreach of its cooperating churches, and to foster whatever else may serve to promote the interest of the Church in the World.

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting: The Region prepares its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting, which means that revenues are recorded when earned and expenditures are recorded when incurred.

Display of Net Assets by Class: The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the disclosure and display requirements of the Financial Accounting Standards Codification, which requires that resources be classified for reporting purposes into three net asset categories (unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted) according to the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Temporarily restricted net assets are those whose use has been limited by donors to a specific purpose or time period. Permanently restricted net assets are those for which donors require the principal of the gift to be maintained in perpetuity. Temporarily restricted net assets whose restrictions are satisfied in the year of the gift are reported as temporarily restricted and included in the amount released from restrictions in the accompanying Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets.

Functional Allocation of Expenses: The costs of providing program services have been summarized in the Statements of Functional Expenses. Certain costs have been allocated among the program, and management and general expenses based upon certain statistics and estimates made by the Region's management.

Contributions: Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. Contributions with donor temporary restrictions are reported as temporarily restricted support and are then reclassified to unrestricted net assets upon expiration of the donor restrictions.

Investment Securities: Investments are in securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments made in debt securities are valued at their fair values in the Statements of Financial Position. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the increase (decrease) in net assets in the Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets.

Fair Value: As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The principle applies to all assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. It enables the reader of the financial statements to assess the inputs used to develop those measurements by establishing a hierarchy for ranking the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values. The statement requires that assets and liabilities carried at fair value will be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

- Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Observable market based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS See Independent Accountant's Review Report

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, the Region has determined the fair value of its investments is based on level 1 inputs.

Fixed Assets: Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Contributed assets are recorded at their fair market value at the date of contribution. Significant purchases and improvements that extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Repairs and maintenance are charged to expense in the period incurred. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Estimated useful lives are five years for furniture, fixtures and equipment, and eighteen to thirty-nine years for churches and parsonages. The cost and related accumulated depreciation of fixed assets are removed from the accounts as they are retired or otherwise disposed of and gain or loss, if any, is reflected in operations of the period. There was depreciation expense in the amount of \$1,410 and \$0 for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Impairment of Long-lived Assets: If facts and circumstances exist that indicate the carrying values of the Region's capital assets to be held and used exceed their recoverable value, an impairment analysis is performed. The Region assesses the recoverability of its assets by comparing the projected undiscounted net cash flows associated with those assets to their respective carrying amounts. Impairment, if any, is based on the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of those assets. There was no impairment recorded on long-lived assets by the Region in 2011 and 2010.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income Taxes: The Region is a not-for-profit organization exempt from federal and state income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and applicable state tax law. No provisions for federal or state income taxes have been made. The organization is not required to file tax returns in either the United States or New York jurisdiction.

Donated Services: The Region receives a substantial amount of services donated by its cooperating churches in carrying out the church's ministry. No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for those services since they do not meet the criteria for recognition.

NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS

The Executive Board has an approved investment policy in place for each fund. See policy described in Footnotes 5, 6 and 7.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Money Market Funds: A public investment vehicle valued using \$1 for the net asset value ("NAV").

Mutual Funds: Valued at the net asset value ("NAV") of shares held by the Region at year end.

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NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The preceding method described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Region believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, economic conditions, world affairs and credit risks. Due to the high level of risk associates with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

> Market Value 2011

2010

A summary of investments at market value at December 31, is as follows:

		<u> </u>	
Money Market Funds Mutual Funds		\$ 23,364	\$ 15,010
Income Fund		89,575	160,105
Equity Fund		221,270	186,264
Income/Equity Fund		300,884	307,273
Total		\$ <u>635,093</u>	\$ <u>668,652</u>
	De	cember 31, 20)11
	Market	Cost	Unrealized
	Value	Basis	<u>Gain</u>
			
Money Market Fund	\$ 23,364	\$ 23,364	
Mutual Funds	<u>611,729</u>	<u>577,269</u>	·
	\$ <u>635,093</u>	\$ <u>600,633</u>	\$ <u>34,460</u>
	De	ecember 31, 20)10
	Market	Cost	Unrealized
	<u>Value</u>	<u>Basis</u>	Gain
Money Market Fund	\$ 15,010	\$ 15,010	\$ -
Mutual Funds	653,642	597,762	•

668,652

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NOTE 4. LOANS TO COOPERATING CHURCHES

The Region operates a revolving fund, the Mutual Assistance Fund, from which cooperating churches may borrow for approved purposes. Interest is generally charged at below-market rates. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, \$662 and \$6,099 in loans were outstanding, respectively. The interest rate on the outstanding loan at December 31, 2012 was at 4% with monthly payments of \$285. The outstanding loan is expected to be paid in full in May of 2012.

NOTE 5. TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

In 2003, the Region was designated as a beneficiary upon the dissolution of the Church of the Master (Baptist). The monies are to be held in an investment for 10 years within interest and dividends to be used to support operations. On the maturity date the principal investment becomes unrestricted to be used at the Region's discretion. The principal value of the investment was \$213,385.

In the 1950's the executive board of the Baptist Union of Rochester and Monroe County developed a mutual assistance fund to help provide financial assistance to cooperating churches. The Region has been designated as the operator of the fund under the Trustee's guidelines. Most recently the fund has been used to provide loans and grants to region churches. The principal and interest is restricted for the said purpose.

The Region operates a Special Fund, which consists of pooled monies received and specifically intended to support various program activities and grants. In the year the restriction is satisfied amounts are recorded as transfers between temporarily restricted and unrestricted net assets in the statement of activities. When the fund was started the original principal contribution in the amount of \$8,060 was to be preserved; however, there was no permanent restriction on the use of the principal value contributed. The Region has historically recorded this as temporarily restricted. The principal value has been preserved as of December 31, 2011 and 2010. In 2011, the Executive Board approved the use of the special fund to act as a pass-through account to support the program activities of another entity awaiting its 501 (c) (3) status. Amounts collected and disbursed for this purpose amounted to \$4,995 for the year ended December 31, 2011.

NOTE 6. PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

The Calvary Endowment Fund arose from the sale of a vacated church building owned by a disbanded congregation. The income (interest and dividends) of the fund is to be used to support mission work: 50% for local and national mission needs, and 50% for international mission needs. The Region withdraws the funds utilizing the total return concept, whereby withdrawals of 5% of the five year moving average of the market value of the portfolio are taken to protect the value of the principal. In addition, the portfolio guideline is: cash and cash equivalents 5-20%, fixed income securities 20-60%, and equities 40-70%. During 2011 and 2010 draws of \$10,000 were made and included as transfers between temporarily restricted net assets and unrestricted. The principal value of the endowment for the year ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$174,417.

The Region was designated as a beneficiary upon the dissolution of the South Avenue Baptist Church. The monies are to be held in an investment with all income and losses recorded as unrestricted net assets. Realized income is to be distributed to the Region and specific cooperating churches to support their operations, which totaled \$8,000 during 2011 and \$10,000 during 2010. During 2011 and 2010, the Region received an additional contribution of \$0 and \$11,960 as the beneficiary in settlement of dissolution, respectively. The principal value of the endowment for the year ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$87,520.

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NOTE 7. UNRESTRICTED BOARD DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT

In 2006 the Executive Board of the Region established an endowment fund to secure monies for the future of the Region. The endowment is invested in a portfolio that is managed for long-term returns, similar to the Calvary Endowment Fund in Note 6. The balance of the unrestricted endowment was \$46,786 and \$47,174 for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

NOTE 8. RETIREMENT PLAN

The Region makes a retirement contribution on behalf of its ministerial and full-time employees. Contributions amount to 16% of salaries, as determined by American Baptist Churches/USA, and totaled \$15,638 and \$16,869 for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

NOTE 9. LEASE AGREEMENT

The Region entered into a lease agreement with the Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School on June 1, 2010 for the rental of office space. The term of this lease is five years, terminating on May 31, 2015. The payments under the new lease arrangement are payable in monthly installments of \$683 or \$8,200 per year. The aggregate future minimum payments under these operating leases at December 31, 2011 are as follows:

2012	\$ 8,200
2013	8,200
2014	8,200
2015	3,415
	\$ 28,015

NOTE 10. CONTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

In 2011, the Region was designated as a beneficiary upon the dissolution of the Clifton Baptist Church and received a building and land. These assets are recorded at the fair value at the date of contribution, which amounted to \$187,900 and are unrestricted. The building will be depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset.

NOTE 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On February 13, 2012, the Region approved a promissory note with Parsells Avenue Community Church from the revolving fund, Mutual Assistance Fund, as mentioned previously in Note 4. The note is in the amount of \$19,400 and will be repaid with interest at the annual rate of 4% in monthly principal and interest payments of \$118 with a maturity date of April 15, 2032. The remaining outstanding principal and interest is due at maturity.

These financial statements have not been updated for subsequent events occurring after May 7, 2012, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued.