

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 a direct relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply, and only one application per church or Region will be considered per 12 month period. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions or for capital improvements to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church or Region, checks will not be made payable to an individual or ministry.

1. General Information

Church or Region:

Region Affiliation with ABCUSA:

Ministry or Group receiving these funds:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Federal Tax ID#:

Contact person:

Email:

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

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

5. Total cost of the project:

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

7. Your other funding source(s):

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/photos within six months of receipt of the grant.

Application submitted by:

Date:

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; September 1 for grants distributed on October 15
- Completed applications should be sent via email to Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.

See the following information and instructions for more details.

Community Outreach Ministry, Eastside Mission Statement: To provide food, rent and utility aid, advocacy services, financial counseling, and other miscellaneous assistance primarily to individuals with legitimate need in Warren Township and western Hancock County.

Supplemental Information for Matthew 25 grant

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

COME is a multi-denomination consortium of nine churches on the east side of Indianapolis. It operates a food pantry, located at the Cumberland FBC, and when funds are available, provides financial assistance for gas or electric bills or rent. Those requesting financial assistance must live in the COME catchment area and have first applied to the appropriate local governmental agency and been refused assistance, even though in many cases their need is legitimate. Those requesting assistance first undergo an interview with a COME counselor; then the information is passed to the COME treasurer, who makes the final determination as to whether or not aid will be provided.

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

The funds help people avoid disconnect of vital electricity or gas utilities, or avoid eviction for non-payment of rent. They have been rejected assistance by the local govt. agency and for many of them, COME is the agency of last resort. Typically, COME only pays a portion of their bill; they must pay the rest. A volunteer discusses their need with them and may be able to suggest additional non-monetary resources.

Treasurer Report-Detailed

COME Balance Sheet - As of 12/31/2015

(Includes unrealized gains)

As of 12/31/2015

Account	12/31/2015 Balance	
ASSETS		
Cash and Bank Accounts		
Checking	\$	1,890.72
Savings	\$	11,708.87
TOTAL Cash and Bank Ac	\$	13,599.59
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	13,599.59
LIABILITIES		
Other Liabilities		
Computer Fund	\$	-
Food Pantry	\$	-
reserve	\$	-
TOTAL Other Liabilities	\$	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	-
OVERALL TOTAL	\$	13,599.59

Income & Expenses

1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015

Account	Amount
INCOME	
Contribution	
Community	\$ 2,539.00
Members	\$ 9,642.28
Dues	\$ 900.00
Gifts received	\$ 7.87
Interest	\$ 2.99
Total Income	\$ 13,092.14
EXPENSES	
	\$ (2,014.35)
Administrative	\$ (26.74)
Computer	\$ (26.74)
Food Pantry supplies	\$ (1,948.67)
Utilities	\$ (38.94)
Telephone	\$ (38.94)
TRANSFERS	
	\$ -
Checking	\$ 11,800.00

Savings	\$ (11,600.00)
Food Pantry	\$ (200.00)
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 11,077.79