

## ABCUSA MATTHEW 25 GRANT APPLICATION - 2017



A generous donor has given a sum of money through American Baptist Churches USA Office of the General Secretary, 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. Awards will be granted only to ministries of an American Baptist church in good standing with their Region. This is a change from previous grant cycles. We will no longer award grants to organizations affiliated with churches such as a cooperative group that includes non-ABC churches; applications must be submitted by an ABC church for work being done directly by that church.

Only one application per church will be considered within a 24-month period. Because this change was made following the Fall 2016 cycle, recipients of a Spring 2016 grant are eligible to apply.

Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions, rainy day funds, church benevolent funds, regular ongoing church operating expenses (i.e. utilities, insurance), repairs, or for capital improvements to facilities. Grant awards will be sent to the ABC church 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.

1. Applicant Information

Name of Church: First Baptist Church

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 635, 301 W. State St., Sharon, Pa. 16146

Phone: 724-347-7261

Federal Tax ID#: 25-1124423

Name of Region: ABCOPAD

Contact person (person completing this form): Rev. Cindy Swogger

Email of contact person: pcydnic@yahoo.com

Does your church contribute to United Mission? ☒ Yes ☐ 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 ☐ No

2. What ministry or group will use these funds?

West Hill Ministries, After School Programs

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

Please include a very brief and specific 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 for single mothers. You are encouraged to attach a longer description (no more than one page) of the ministry or project.

We would really like to focus on 1. feeding, 2. clothing and 3. Executing Christian After School Programs that promote help with academics through homework and tutoring and computer lab, physical fitness, Christian education, games, crafts, music, outings, special programs like Family Nights (dinner and a movie) of our children, youth and families through our after school programs.

1. We serve snacks and meals (Monday-Thursday)

2. our Clothing Closet is open every Tuesday 10 a.m.-Noon providing used and some new clothes. The particular needs for new items are underwear, socks, uniforms (required by local public school and sometimes coats.

3. Our after school programs need normal wear and tear stuff we use all the time like pencils, computer paper, school supplies, we could use a new printer, craft supplies, balls, games, curriculum. Christmas musical, a microphone or two for our portable sound system, ping pong balls and such. We also would love to purchase Bibles for all of our kids and youth. We would

like to be able to take our kids skating or bowling. Our list could be as long as our budget would carry us. We want to provide positive life experiences for all of our children and families.

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?

Our church is a downtown church in walking distance from the elementary school and public housing. So we are a neighborhood center. We serve some of the most needy in our city, both financially and spiritually. We believe that we need to feed both stomachs and souls. We try to address physical needs (food and clothing) as well as spiritual needs. By pouring love onto our neighbors, we can make our corner of the world more hopeful for a brighter future by encouraging education, helping feed bodies, providing a safe haven for after school and sharing the Good News of Jesus to everyone we meet.

5. Total cost of the project: \$23,060.00
6. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$5,000.00
7. List other funding source(s): First Baptist Churches, Sharon, Riverview FBC, New Eagle, PA. (their Mission Budget gives a monthly gift), American Baptist Churches of Pa/Delaware, Community Foundation of Western Pa., Jewish Federation of Youngstown, Ohio, individuals, groups and businesses.
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 name) First Baptist Church, 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): Rev. Cindy Swogger (your name typed here is your electronic signature)

Date: 8-31-17

**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](mailto:Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org).
- Please review the instructions that follow and initial at the bottom to indicate you have read this information.

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## **Instructions and information for completing the 2017 ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant application**

### **1. General information**

Awards will be granted only to ministries of an American Baptist church in good standing with their Region. This is a change from previous grant cycles. We will no longer award grants to organizations affiliated with churches such as a cooperative group that include non-ABC churches; applications must be submitted by an ABC church in good standing.



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### West Hill Ministries Description and Mission Statement

West Hill Ministries, a neighborhood outreach in the city of Sharon. WHM seeks to be *The Church* in our neighborhoods and unite in efforts to serve our community to address spiritual and physical needs. It is our intent to help each child develop intellectually, socially, physically and spiritually, to have confidence, to learn values and respect. Though seeking to serve children and their families, adults and Sr. Citizens, WHM directs most of its energy and programming to serve children and youth.

After school programs for kindergarten through twelfth grade are offered. WHM began in 1991 and currently offers after school programs in the city of Sharon Monday through Thursday during the school year for K-12.

WHM serves some of the **most disadvantaged** kids in the city. A safe haven for children and youth is provided. At WHM young people are encouraged in education in a safe environment, given love and care, helped with homework, taught values, are encouraged to dream of a bright future and given help to nurture the dream.

Children and youth of our after school programs are provided a computer lab, game room, great snacks & food. They do crafts, music, get help with homework, earn free books by reading them, play games and hang out with their friends.

Our volunteers and staff are Christians who love the Lord and children.

The goal is to help enable young people succeed in life and rise above their circumstances. We ask your help.

A Mission Statement was adopted in 1996: *To be obedient to the Great Commandment and faithful to the Great Commission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

Matthew 22:37-39 is the Great Commandment

Matthew 28:19-20 is the Great Commission



West Hill Ministries Income Statement  
Compared with Budget  
For the Eight Months Ending August 31, 2017

WHM 2017 Budget	Budget Amount
Expenses-Afterschool Program	
Food	\$ 12,000.00
Crafts	500.00
Curriculum	1,000.00
Games & Recreation	200.00
Music	700.00
Special Events	1,000.00
Rewards/Prizes	600.00
Gifts/Awards	200.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Christmas/Easter	2,500.00
Outings	1,000.00
Festival	500.00
Reading For Books	500.00
New Programs	1,500.00
Retreats	360.00
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Total Expenses-Afterschool Program	23,060.00
Expenses-Senior Citizen Ministry	
Luncheons	2,500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
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Total Expenses-Senior Citizen Ministry	3,000.00
Expenses-Computer Lab & Pictures	
Supplies	0.00
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Total Expenses-Computer Lab & Pictures	0.00
Expenses-Super Week/Camp/Summer	
SW Activities	3,000.00
SW Food	1,500.00
SW Curriculum	500.00
SW Transportation/Gas	1,000.00
SW T-Shirts	1,300.00
SW Supplies	250.00
SW Crafts	500.00
SW Camp Judson	1,000.00
CAMP JUDSON	4,000.00
SW Teens	350.00
Summer Programs - Food	500.00
Summer Programs - Activities	500.00
Summer Programs - Curriculum	500.00
Summer Programs - Supplies	500.00
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Total Expenses-Super Week/Camp/Summer	15,400.00
Personnel Expenses	
Salaries - Cindy	38,600.00



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WHM 2017 Budget	Budget Amount
Housing Allowance	10,900.00
SS Offset	3,312.00
Pension Expense	5,300.00
TAS	600.00
Salary - Jane Besser	16,000.00
Match SS/Medicare - Jane Besse	1,224.00
Salary - Emily O'Malley	25,200.00
SS/Medicare Match for Emily	<u>1,930.00</u>
 Total Personnel Expenses	 103,066.00
 WHM Ministry Expenses	
Postage	1,500.00
Office Supplies	1,200.00
Paper products	2,000.00
Kitchen/Cleaning/Supplies/Misc	0.00
Bank charges	0.00
Insurance--Liability, etc.	850.00
Cell Phone	1,925.00
Clearances	200.00
Misc.	<u>0.00</u>
 Total WHM Ministry Expenses	 7,675.00
 Bus Expenses	
Fuel	1,000.00
License	165.00
Insurance	750.00
Repairs/Inspection	<u>1,000.00</u>
 Total Bus Expenses	 2,915.00
 Overhead Expenses	 <u>0.00</u>
 Total Overhead Expenses	 0.00
 Extension Expenses	 <u>0.00</u>
 Total Extension Expenses	 0.00
 Expansion Expenses	 <u>0.00</u>
 Total Expansion Expenses	 0.00
 Grand Total	 <u><u>\$ 155,116.00</u></u>



**WEST HILL MINISTRIES FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF 7/31/17**

<b>Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/17</b>		<b>\$ 13,146.27</b>
Income from Grants	\$ 70,893.50	
Income from Gifts	\$ 8,208.87	
FBC Endowment - Janney Montgomery	\$ 14,000.00	
From Memorial Gifts	\$ 220.00	
Checking account interest	\$ 0.22	
Savings Interest	\$ 49.33	
<b>Total Income as of 7/31/17</b>	<b>\$ 93,371.92</b>	
<b>Income balance as of 7/31/17</b>		<b>\$ 106,518.19</b>

**Disbursements:****After School Programs**

Food	\$ 3,008.26
Curriculum	\$ 65.34
Games and Recreation	\$ 702.95
Rewards/Prizes	\$ 13.88
Gifts/Rewards	\$ 92.14
Christmas//Easter	\$ 48.32
Outings	\$ 246.02
<b>Total Expenses After School Program</b>	<b>\$ 4,176.91</b>

**Expenses Sr.Citizen Ministry**

Luncheons	\$ 335.07
<b>Total Expense Senior Citizen Ministry</b>	<b>\$ 335.07</b>

**Expenses Super Week/Camp/Summer**

Super Week Activiies	\$ 7,266.00
Super Week Food	\$ 1,418.02
Super Week Transportation/Gas	\$ 1,050.00
Super Week T-Shirts	\$ 1,016.60
Super Week Camp Judson	\$ 767.50
Summer Programs Curriculum & Supplies	\$ 230.59
<b>Total Expenses Super Week/Camp Summer</b>	<b>\$ 11,748.71</b>

Postage	\$ 593.77
Office Supplies	\$ 891.92
Paper Products	\$ 675.98
Kitchen/Cleaning Supplies	\$ 103.17
Bank Charges	\$ 12.00
Misc.	\$ 152.41
Cell phone	\$ 601.36
<b>Total WHM Ministry Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,030.61</b>



**Bus expenses**

Fuel	\$	350.68
License	\$	-
Insurance	\$	433.25
Repairs/Inspection	\$	137.99

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<b>Total Bus Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>921.92</b>
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**Personnel Expenses**

Salary - WHM Director	\$	21,058.24
Housing Allowance	\$	7,816.62
Social Security Offset	\$	1,928.43
Pension	\$	4,928.43
TAS	\$	350.00
Salary - WHM Program Director	\$	15,700.00
FICA/Medicare - WHM Program Director	\$	1,174.28
Salary - WHM St.Joe's & Community Outreach Liaison	\$	9,333.24
FICA/Medicare - WHM Community Outreach Liaison	\$	714.00
Salary WHM Part-time Staff	\$	4,632.50
FICA/Medicare - WHM Program Facilitator	\$	354.38

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<b>Total Personnel Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>67,990.12</b>
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<b>Total Disbursements as of 7/31/17</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>88,203.34</b>
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<b>Checking Balance as of 7/31/17</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,279.31</b>
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WEST HILL MINISTRIES FINANCIAL REPORT 1/1/17 TO 7/31/17			
<b>Checking Account Balance as of 1/1/17</b>			<b>\$ 13,146.27</b>
Income from Grants		\$ 70,893.50	
Income from Gifts		\$ 8,208.87	
FBC Endowment - Janney Montgomery		\$ 14,000.00	
Memorial Gifts		\$ 220.00	
Checking account interest		\$ 0.22	
Savings Interest		\$ 49.33	
<b>Total income as of 7/31/17</b>		<b>\$ 93,371.92</b>	
<b>Income total as of 7/31/17</b>			<b>\$ 106,518.19</b>
<b>Savings Account Report</b>			
Savings Account Balance as of 1/1/17			<b>\$ 6,126.08</b>
Memorial Fund Deposits		\$ 220.00	
Deposit from Grants		\$ 40,711.09	
Interest		\$ 49.33	
Withdrawals	\$ 24,392.36		
<b>Savings Account Balance as of 7/31/17</b>			<b>\$ 22,714.14</b>
<b>Funding Includes:</b>			
Winner Foundation		\$ 10,000.00	
Community Foundation of Western PA & Eastern OH		\$ 39,811.93	
American Baptist Churches of PA and Delaware		\$ 6,000.00	
American Legion Aux. Unit 299, Sharon, PA		\$ 100.00	
William C. Cowan Furnace Co, Sharon, PA		\$ 50.00	
Christ Lutheran Church, Sharon, PA		\$ 301.00	
Episcopal Diocese of NW PA - Richard C. Rowe LMS Fund		\$ 300.00	
First United Methodist Church, Sharon, PA		\$ 1,200.00	
First United Methodist Women, Sharon, PA		\$ 200.00	
First United Methodist Church, Sharon, PA UMC Grant		\$ 4,666.69	
Greenville Savings Bank, Greenville, PA		\$ 50.00	
H. M. Wilson Trust, Conover, NC		\$ 5,000.00	
J. Bradley Memorial Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.		\$ 150.00	
Joseph J. Fonagy, DDS, Inc.		\$ 250.00	
Maththew E. Mitchelltree, McKees Rocks, PA		\$ 500.00	
Orangeville United Methodist Church		\$ 500.00	
PNC Charitable Foundation, Sharon, PA		\$ 293.28	
Philadelphia Candies, Hermitage, PA		\$ 25.00	
Pizza Joes (Keith and Donna Woods) Shaorn, PA		\$ 200.00	
Riverview First Baptist Church, New Eagle, PA		\$ 195.60	
Ruth T. Goen Rev Trust, Cockeysville, MD		\$ 1,000.00	
West Middlesex Kiwanis, West Middlesex, PA		\$ 100.00	
<b>Memorials:</b>			
Anthony (Buzz) Sirianni		\$ 200.00	
Tony Knott		\$ 20.00	