

## 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 Information:

Organization Name First Baptist Church  
Affiliation with BCUSA Yes  
Address 2020 North Third Street  
Clinton, IA 52732  
Phone 563-242-0811 Federal Tax ID# 42-0870596  
Contact person Connie Brashaw email cjbjb7@yahoo.com

2. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement
- Your most recent annual report or audited financial statement

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 Numerous Projects

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$3,000.00

6. Your other funding source(s) Annual Gala Event at our Church

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name/Title Connie J. Brashaw, Mission & Evangelism Chairperson

**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](mailto:Beth.Fogg@abc-usa.org)



**First Baptist Church  
Mission & Evangelism Board  
2020 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Clinton, IA 52732**

Please consider our Mission & Evangelism Board for the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant.

FBC M&E Mission Statement: “The Purpose of the FBC is to love God and to share His love with this community and the world. Our Board’s Mission is to help the needy in the Clinton, Iowa and surrounding areas along with Missionaries all over.

In 2012 we had our “GALA” event and raised \$2,883.57. The money raised was over \$3,000.00 less than the years before.

We are asking for \$3,000 to make up the difference for what we have had to use the last three years. We have been able to do many things for our community with these funds. The following is a list of things we have done in the past three years that we have had our “GALA” event and raised the money to help people.

- Collect used Christian literature for Love Packages and \$50 for a gift to help with their expenses.
- Collected food for the Salvation Army – Clinton Food Pantry.
- For Samaritan’s Purse Shoe Box Ministry we filled and shipped 66 shoe boxes and gave \$322.00 towards postage of the boxes.
- Back Packs full of supplies for children who needed them in Clinton and Camanche, Iowa.
- Brown Bag Ministry \$300.00 (they give out sack lunches to hungry on the streets)
- Helped with Medication that people needed and could not afford.

- Clinton Middle School & High School – given school supplies \$608.66
- 1,000 Mile Journey (help to stop child abuse) walked and helped with security and \$35.
- Collect labels for the Murrow Children's Indian Home.
- Had a Community Garden and donated the vegetables to people in need along with receipts to show them how to prepare them.
- Helped Matt Johnson, a college student at Judson University, with money for a Mission Trip - \$100.
- Helped Erin Sheridan for Mission Trip - \$200.
- Helped a family who's baby was in University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City - \$100.00
- Helped two families with hardship \$200.00 (\$100 each) for food
- Helped fire victims with motel room after their home destroyed by fire.
- Helped homeless mom and 2 children with motel room for a week.
- Helped person with an Emergency trip due to family health issues - \$200
- American Legion, Sabula, IA to help replace guns that were stolen that they used for taps at funerals. - \$20
- Give items to Hightower place. (home for women, with their children, who are getting off drugs)
- Thanksgiving baskets for elementary students with local churches to furnish breakfast and lunch while out on holiday since they normally eat free meals at school. \$75
- Money for blanket material for the middle school after school program. They made fleece blankets for the homeless \$100.
- Middle School student got him football shoes so he was able to play.
- Gave out grocery gift cards to families at the local Hy-Vee store at Christmas time.
- Gave out gas cards to people at the Kwik Star gas station and pumped their gas and washed windows.
- Free Car Wash with Hot Dogs and drinks
- Diapers for a family who didn't have any for their two young sons.
- Sponsored the FBC Softball team