

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 relationship with American Baptist Churches USA to be eligible to apply, and only one application per church or ministry will be considered per year. Grant funds may not be used to fund staff positions.

1. General Information:

Organization Name Rainbow Acres
Affiliation with ABCUSA Member ABC Homes & Caring Ministries, and ISP recipient
Address 2120 Reservation Loop, Camp Verde, AZ 86322
Phone 928-567-5231 Federal Tax ID# 86-0286420
Contact person Christine Roush email chris@rainbowacres.com

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. 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 \$84,216

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant \$5000.00

6. Your other funding source(s) Rainbow Acres Donor base

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 02/25/14

Printed Name/Title Rev Dr. Christine Roush, Chief Operating Officer

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 via email to beth.fogg@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



Matthew 25 Grant Proposal
Rainbow Acres
February 25, 2014

Mission Statement:

Rainbow Acres is a Christian Community with heart that empowers persons with developmental disabilities to live to their fullest potential with dignity and purpose.

Project for which funds are requested:

Since our foundation, Rainbow Acres has worked to make Rainbow available for families who could not afford our cost of care. Special care has been taken to assist families with a child with disabilities who have dedicated their lives to public service, such as pastors, teachers and career military personnel. Gloria Goodwin and Greg Dawson are two Ranchers who fall within those criteria. They are the children of pastors who served their congregations well, but received salaries that would make Rainbow an impossible stretch. Both Greg's father and grandfather were ordained American Baptist clergy, and Gloria's father served a number of small churches in Alaska prior to his passing. Both Gloria and Greg need significant outside support to meet their monthly cost of care here at Rainbow.

Project Budget:

Income

Parent Contributions	\$40,570
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Expense

Total cost of care (Gloria)	\$42,108
Total cost of care (Greg)	<u>\$42,108</u>
Total expense	\$84,216

Grant Request:

\$5000.00

Other funding sources:

Rainbow Acres has made Gloria and Greg a part of our Adopt-a-Rancher campaign for the past several years, and is seeking to help them grow their number of monthly donors to a level that will sustain their yearly cost of care.

How Rainbow will use these funds:

If approved, this grant will be directly credited to the accounts of Greg Dawson and Gloria Goodwin to assist with paying for two months cost of care. As adults with a developmental disability, both Gloria and Greg are faced with a life of poverty. Each receives in the neighborhood of \$800 a month in Social Security. Although Greg works as a grocery courtesy clerk in a local store eight to fifteen hours a week, Gloria has been a resident at Rainbow for 36 years, and no longer has any additional income beyond the limited resources her mother can provide.

Adults with developmental disabilities are among the poorest of the poor. Few resources are available to them once they age beyond public high school. Like many of their counterparts, Gloria and Greg have very few skills with which to earn an income. They would be living a life of poverty without the generosity of donors who support Rainbow Acres, and who support them through Adopt-a-Rancher.