

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: The Rock, A Christian Church

Region Affiliation with ABCUSA: Member of ABCOFLASH

Ministry or Group receiving these funds: Missions Outreach

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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?

See email attachment

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

See email attachment

5. Total cost of the project: \$7,269.68

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

7. Your other funding source(s): Donations

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: Christine Reed

Date: 2/25/2016

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.

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Matthew 25 Grant Mission Statement

Whitney Elementary is a title one school in Las Vegas in which 90 percent of the students there suffer from severe poverty. Our mission is to begin to help alleviate the burdens of poverty for these students so that they can build a solid foundation for the rest of their lives. These students find it hard to focus in class when they are hungry, cold, and afraid. Going forward, we want to partner with this school, not just for a short time, but for the foreseeable future. We want to build relationships with this school that last for a lifetime. Eventually, we want to break into this community with the gospel message so that not only their educational future will take a new course, but also their eternal wellbeing in Christ can be made a reality.

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

When you are in elementary school the last thing that you should be thinking about is "How am I going to get something to eat?" or "How am I going to stay warm on my way to and from school?" It is hard to think about your schooling, life relationships, or even about God. As we use these funds to purchase food bag items, and warm clothing, we can help these students to worry about what really matters: education, healthy relationships, and ultimately, Christ.

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Use of Matthew 25 Grant Funds: Whitney Elementary

One of the ways that Whitney Elementary has dealt with such a high poverty rate among their students and families is by setting up a Food Pantry and Clothes Distribution programs within the school. They give out "Food Bags" weekly to students and their families to get them through hard times. These bags contain all kinds of different food essentials for the students to use. However, the money for these food bags runs out very quickly as they continually stock the food pantry. As outlined in our budget, we want to be able to fund a number of these food items that go into these food bags. We have decided to include these various items for up to 100 food bags a month for the school: Cans of Ravioli, Ramen Soup, Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes, and Cereal Boxes. With this financial backing in supplying these items that go into these food bags, we can offer this school some stability as we seek to partner with them for the long term.

As well as provide various items to fill the food bags, we understand that during the winter months many of these children go without jackets, beanies, and gloves. We are aiming to be able to supply half the school's population with these clothing items. That would be 350 students receiving jackets, beanies, and gloves.

Using these funds in this way is just the beginning of our serving this school. We want to do more than provide these items. We have plans to send church members to the school to come alongside these children and serve them by tutoring, reading to, and even playing at recess with them. As we provide some much needed food and clothing items, we hope that this will open the door of mutual trust and love to allow us to develop deep relationships with everyone at Whitney Elementary.

The Rock 2016
Matthew 25 Grant Projected Budget

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Ravioli Cans	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80
Ramen	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52
Fruit Cups	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96
Juice Boxes	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94
Cereal Boxes	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92
Boys Jackets	\$262.50	\$262.50					
Girls Jackets	\$175.00	\$175.00					
Boys Beanies	\$131.25	\$131.25					
Boys Gloves	\$131.25	\$131.25					
Girls Beanies	\$87.50	\$87.50					
Girls Gloves	\$87.50	\$87.50					

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August	September	October	November	December	Total
\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$79.80	\$957.60
\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$65.52	\$786.24
\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$102.96	\$1,235.52
\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$29.94	\$359.28
\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$35.92	\$431.04
			\$262.50	\$262.50	\$1,050.00
			\$175.00	\$175.00	\$700.00
			\$131.25	\$131.25	\$525.00
			\$131.25	\$131.25	\$525.00
			\$87.50	\$87.50	\$350.00
			\$87.50	\$87.50	\$350.00
Grand Total					\$7,269.68