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:
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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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	Monthly Needs	Monthly Cost	Annual Cost
Diapers	50 bags @ 8.00	400	4800
1000 Bags for Split up			
Packages of Diapers	\$ 20 for entire project	1.67	20
Trash Bags	Donated	Donated	By the Community Center
Adult Diapers	Donated	Donated	By the Community Center
Space for Project	Donated	Donated	By the Community Center
Meet More Needs Person	Donated	Donated	By the Community Center
22 Pkgs Diaper for			
Emergency such as fire			
victims			176
Totals		401.67	4996

After doing a lot of research it appears that I can get bags of diapers for at least 7.99. Depending on sales I may be able to get them a little cheaper depending on what is available. If this is the case I will be offering more diapers that month. If I can locate bigger boxes at a better value then I will break the box up and bag the diapers. I plan to offer each mother a 25-30 diapers which should suffice for a week so that when the mother leaves out location the babies bottom is covered. That is money that she can spent on other needs.

Lynhurst Community Center will be donating all the adult diapers, space for housing and disbursing the diapers, trash bags and a "meet more needs" person who will be available to help with other neccesities that the mothers need. An example would be finding a doctor, housing, food pantries, bus passes etc. We are still working to see if we can also have childrens clothes available.

The neighborbood is basically low income unmarried mothers with children. The neighborhood school is 100% free lunch which shows the economic problems these people face daily. The center itself hands out bread daily and any other food that is donated.

They also take in donations which are sorted and then offered once a month in a garage sale. This garage sale nets enough money

to pay the mortgage and some utilities. The items are generally sold for 25 cents since we feel that having the mothers put a little something into it builds some self esteim. They are not then only taking hand outs for their children.

The center gets adult diapers by donations and they will donate these to our cause and so we will also be able to offer these to the public.

We will ask for ID and proof that diapers are needed. We will be open the 3rd Thursday of every month. Advertising will be done by word of mouth and also by placing a sign on the board at the center.

This is not something that is offered anywhere in the area and we have mothers who come into the center asking for diapers all the time.

Our Mission Statement is: To provide holistic revitalization and to improve the lives of those who live in and around our community, striving to help families as well as individuals to become self-supporting and self-sufficient.