

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 _____ Calvary Baptist Church on behalf of an ad hoc group of greater Lowell American Baptist Churches

Affiliation with

ABCUSA _____ TABCOM _____

Address _____ 60 Hastings Street, Lowell, MA 01851

Phone _____ 978-459-9598 _____ Federal Tax

ID# _____ 042109846 _____

Contact person _____ Hazel Roper

_____ email _____ haroper@aol.com _____

2. Please submit with your application a copy of:

- Your mission statement
- While Calvary is committed to a multi-cultural, multi-generational, multi-racial ministry, I do not have the mission statements of the other participating churches. I thought this would be something the churches could work on together through which we might become better acquainted. This might lead us to discover other areas where we could work together to make a difference in our area of the world. While this is a big project for our small churches I believe that it is doable.
- 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. The dollars needed for this project are set by Habitat. For the accolades that come with sponsorship we need \$55,000.00. The money from One Great Hour of Sharing gave Habitat enough support to negotiate with the city for the lot where our house will be.
- Again I do not have the financial statements of all the American Baptist Churches of Greater Lowell that are participating in this project but I know them well enough to know that all of them really work to make ends meet and pay their bills. I believe that all of them try to be good stewards of the resources they have.

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.)

The plan would be to use the money toward the furnace of the house. Although there are other options like flooring or windows we will see as time goes on where the needs are.

4. Total cost of the project _____ For the entire house perhaps around \$200,000.00 but our share for sponsorship is \$55,000.00 a challenging goal.

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant____\$5,000.00 the cost of the furnace._____

6. Your other funding source(s)_____

One Great Hour of Sharing \$30,000.00

Volunteer licensed Electricians \$3,500.00

Other cash donations already in hand about \$1,000.00

Another Fund Raiser March 14

Request has been made to the Boston Baptist Social Union

Requests will be sent to banks that the churches use.

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)____Hazel A. Roper 2/24/2015

Printed Name/Title____Hazel A. Roper, Moderator, Calvary Baptist Church of Lowell, MA._____

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.

