

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: New Horizon Baptist Church

Affiliation with ABCUSA: ABC of Connecticut (ABCONN)

Address: 40 Pitkin Street,

Manchester, CT 06002

Phone: 860-726-9282

Federal Tax ID#: 52-2142-451

Contact person: Pastor Withel Simpson and/or Deaconess Blenda Williams

Email: nhbc@hotmail.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: Projected \$4,710.00

5. Amount being requested from the ABCUSA Matthew 25 Grant: \$4,000.00

6. Your other funding source(s): New Horizon Baptist Church & Volunteers

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) Withel Simpson Date 2-27-15

Printed Name/Title Withel Simpson - Pastor

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 Tina.Turner@abc-usa.org. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.



The by Laws (Constitution) of: New Horizon Baptist Church---Connecticut

Article 1: Corporate name

The name of this non-profit Christian organization is New Horizon Baptist Church
This church was founded on September 13, 1998 by Owen and Withel Simpson.

Article 2: Mission Statement

New Horizon is a Christian community of believers in Jesus Christ; we are an evangelical church that emphasizes the proclamation and practical application of God's word, irrespective of race, ethnicity and gender.

The purpose of this Christian organization is to fulfill the mandate of Jesus Christ in Matt 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore..... and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of he age" and according to Matthew 25:35-43, to continue the work of Jesus by visiting the sick and imprisoned, clothing the naked, feeding the hungry and ministering to the needs of the people.

In order to fulfill our purpose, we engage in specific ministries that are in accordance with our purpose and our desired objectives.
These ministries include:-

1. Christian Education Classes for all ages.
2. Regular prayer meetings and Bible studies.
3. House to house visitation.
4. Community outreach and Benevolent Services.
5. Assist in providing shelter and housing for the homeless.
6. Providing food and clothing for those in need.
7. Strengthening and assisting families as we give nurturing and hands- on training to young and inexperienced parents as well as young people; teaching them "Home Economics".

These and other services will be extended to the community under "New Horizon Community Services".

New Horizon Baptist Church
40 Pitkin Street
Manchester, CT 06002

Proposed Budget: 7th Annual Community Day

Proposed Date: Saturday, August 15, 2015

Projected Visitors Served: 150

Total Proposed Working Budget: \$4,710.00

- Venue: \$550.00 (Rent & Rider Insurance)
- General Setup: \$110.00 (Tables, Table Covers, Name Taps, Tape, Scissors, Markers, Pens, etc)
- Food: \$600.00 (Continental Breakfast For Volunteers, Chicken, Rice, Beverages, Fruit, Disposable Utensils and Hygiene)
- Clothing/Foodbank: \$700.00 (Racks, Storage Containers, Hangers, New Clothing Items, Household Items)
- Entertainment: \$400.00 (Steel Drum Band, Drummer, Singers)
 - Children's Corner: \$150.00 (Activities, Crafts Supplies, Face Painting Materials, Puzzles, Books)
- Book Bags: \$1,600.00
- School Supplies: \$ 400.00 (Pens, Pencils, Crayons, Folders, Notebooks)
- Transportation/Gratuities: \$200.00 (Gas, Love Gifts)

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Question 3

New Horizon Baptist Church is a modest sized congregation that serves the Greater Hartford community of Connecticut. Statistically, the Hartford Metropolis is one in the top areas of poverty in the United States. Many families are either low income or unemployed. This condition affects not only the adults, but the children as well; and has impacted their need for food, clothing, shelter and even their ability to obtain an education. As a mixed congregation, the New Horizon family encompasses members who have fallen victim to the bleak economic climate and who look to our organization as a means for Spiritual and limited economic support through the provisions of clothing and food items. Bearing witness to the significance of our sacrificial giving to those in need, we have always felt compelled to extend our reach to beyond our four walls. Six years ago, New Horizon introduced our annual "Back to School Community Day."

Over the past 6 years we have distributed book-bags filled with school supplies, clothes, food, person hygiene items and small household items free of charge to all attendees. Our program also consists of lectures and workshops about healthcare and mental disorders. Last year, our resident law student gave a general overview on starting a legal claim and how they should present themselves when attending legal proceedings. Each year, the visibility of the program has grown, and last year we were pleasantly forced to find a bigger venue.

While we seek to maximize, as we have done in the past, the resources that New Horizon has allotted to this event in the most efficient way possible, our reach has been exponentially increased with the assistance of the Matthew 25 Grant in the past. The requested funds will be used in assisting in preparation for the event as outlined in the proposed budget.