

First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs

Assistance Policy

Effective April 1, 2018

The assistance request form may be utilized for requests related to supporting the victims or families affected by the November 5, 2017 shooting incident.

Restoration Committee (Victim Assistance) Guidelines:

1. The Restoration Committee is responsible for administering programs related to Victim Assistance resulting from the November 5, 2017 shooting incident. Requests are limited to the assistance of victims or family members of victims. Payment will be made from funds received and designated for victim relief. If the funds are exhausted, standard benevolence guidelines will apply.
2. Assistance requests may be made for a wide variety of reasons, such as medical equipment, medical supplies, legal fees, housing modifications (to assist with mobility impaired family members), rent/mortgage, utilities, transportation or other expenses .
3. Multiple applications may be received in a calendar year.
4. Payment of expenses may be made directly the provider or may be made to the applicant for distribution to providers. Payment will typically be made by check. Evidence of the amount required to meet needs such as copies of bills, prescriptions for medications, etc. must be provided.
5. If approved, applications for recurring items such as rent/mortgage, utility bills, medicines will be valid for a 3 month period.
6. Applications will be reviewed by members of the Restoration Committee and must be approved by at least two members of the Committee.
7. Applications and information they contain will be held in strict confidence by all parties.

Hold Harmless / Liability Release

First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas, its Pastor, Officers, Agents, Employees and Members are hereby released, forever discharged and held harmless from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred as a result of the review, approval, payment and/or denial of benefits under the administration of the Benevolence or Victim Assistance programs. Furthermore, the requestor hereby agrees to hold harmless and indemnify said Church, its Pastor, Officers, Agents, Employees and Members from any financial liability sustained by said acts of the aforementioned church parties.

First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs Victim Assistance Request

Name of Applicant	
Application Date	
Current Address	
Mailing Address, (if different)	
Phone Number	
Email Address	

Household Members	Relationship	Age	Employment Status

Type of Assistance Requested	Amount Requested	For How Long?

Please List Other Sources of Assistance Received in Past 6 months	Approx Amount Received

I have read and understand the policies and guidelines for assistance receipt from the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs. My signature constitutes my understanding and agreement to abide by them.

Applicant Signature	Date	Approved?	Yes	No
Reviewed By	Reviewed By			