



Unitarian Universalist Funding Program

Fund for Unitarian Universalism

Grants Made 2014

CampUUs Boston Jamaica Plain , MA	\$16,500
<i>CampUUsBoston</i> To establish a sustainable professional UU campus ministry presence in Boston that serves the spiritual development and community connection needs of our youngest UU adults.	
Chalice Oak Foundation Portland , OR	\$10,000 <i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Pathways to Justice</i> A third grant to develop the infrastructure, tools, training and resources to support effective and sustainable UU community ministries.	
Church of the Larger Fellowship (c) Boston , MA	\$15,000
<i>UU CLF Latino Ministries Pilot Project</i> To make CLF more accessible to Spanish speakers by creating and curating spiritually and culturally appropriate materials online, facilitating online group ministry and worship services, and collaborating with other groups and congregations.	
Church of the Larger Fellowship c/o UUA Boston , MA	\$9,500
<i>Bless All Who Serve Distribution Pilot</i> For pilot distribution of “Bless All Who Serve”, a book of reflections and meditations developed with UU sensibility for military service members, to Veteran’s Administration and military training centers. Success of the project will be evaluated qualitatively and quantitatively and used to make recommendations to expand or modify the program.	
First Unitarian Church of Rochester (d) Rochester , NY	\$6,000
<i>Project Livestream</i> For a high quality, high definition live stream of worship service, accessible anywhere on a smartphone, tablet, laptop or PC. The goal is to make the mission portable and accessible and to be a resource for members and other UUs.	
Healing Moments Alzheimer Ministry Dubuque , IA	\$5,450
<i>The Forgiving and the Forgetting</i> For a live theater performance that addresses the challenges of caring for someone with Alzheimer’s and dementia and teaches effective techniques for communication and connection. The goal is to give congregational leadership resources for their members coping with these issues, to educate congregations about Alzheimer’s, and to address the increasing need for affirming spiritual and emotional care.	

International Council Of U.U.'s (a)	\$5,000
Philomath , OR	
<i>Distributive Leadership: A Field Test for Regional Service and Support</i>	
To develop and test a model for delivering services and support to UU groups and congregations using local expertise. The project will increase multi-cultural, adaptive and distributive U-U leadership through regional service delivery and support and enhance collaboration between UU organizations.	
International Women's Convocation	\$8,000
Houston , TX	
<i>Empowerment Thru Leadership Dev. and Enhanced Communication</i>	
To develop the leadership of women in Transylvania, Uganda and India through grassroots schools and trainings, and to expand the network of UU women in Latin America, to double the number of congregations recognizing International Women's Day by 2015, and to expand communications to increase organizational effectiveness and collaboration.	
Interweave Continental	\$2,500
Sharon , MA	
<i>Growing the Interweave Network</i>	
A second grant for a two-year campaign to significantly increase participation and to broaden the membership base to create a self-sustaining organization for LGBTQ people of all ages and their allies in UU congregations.	
Living Legacy Project	\$10,000
Knoxville , TN	<i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Marching in the Arc of Justice: Revisiting Selma - A Conference Honoring the</i>	
To support the planning phase of an event that will call Unitarian Universalists back to Selma, Alabama for the 50th anniversary of the voting rights demonstrations in 1965.	
MidAmerica Region - UUA (a)	\$6,000
Roseville , MN	
<i>Summer Seminary 2014</i>	
For an immersive vocational discernment program for older youth to explore the possibilities of ordained ministry, religious education and music-credentialed roles The goal is to close the gap between meaningful youth ministry and paths to professional religious leadership.	
New England Region of the UUA	\$17,000
Watertown , MA	
<i>Faithify Next Gen</i>	
A second grant for a crowdfunding platform connecting people to innovative, entrepreneurial UU ministries within and beyond congregations. This phase will enhance the user's experience with security, ease of operating, and accessibility.	

Original Blessing: A UU Congregation	\$10,000
Brooklyn , NY	
<i>New Church Plant</i>	
A second grant for a start-up congregation based in northern Brooklyn and western Queens, NY, founded on creative worship, social justice and compassionate community. The goal is to become a self-supporting religious community leading UUism into the future by embracing a deeper sense of evangelism and spiritual dedication.	
Preaching by Heart	\$5,300
Lexington , MA	
<i>Development and Outreach Project</i>	
For a series of workshops that teach extemporaneous preaching skills to ministers and others and to create resources and networking opportunities for those learning and practicing the art.	
Religious Institute	\$19,000
Westport , CT	
<i>Sexually Safer U.U. Congregations</i>	
For a project that encourages UU congregations to become sexually safer congregations. As part of its work on developing a national sexually safer congregations designation program, the Religious Institute will pilot test the criteria with UU congregations and invite all to apply for the designation process.	
Sacred Fire Unitarian Universalist	\$10,900
Carrboro , NC	
<i>Deliberate Independence</i>	
For a missional ministry that creates covenanted community through innovative, alternative forms of worship, small group ministry, social justice and networks of resource sharing.	
Safety Net & UUA Ministries and Faith Development	\$20,000
Boston , MA	
<i>Advocate Training for Victim/Survivors of Professional Misconduct</i>	
For a project that will improve UU leaders' response to victims of professional misconduct by training advocates to advise and support victims through the complaint process.	
Skinner House Books	\$5,000
Boston , MA	
<i>The Joy of the Journey</i>	
To support a book that will provide guidance and inspiration for congregations working toward multiculturalism by telling the complex stories of UU congregations that have embarked on this path.	
Tree of Life U.U. Congregation	\$5,600
McHenry , IL	<i>\$5,600</i>
<i>Cabaret Church</i>	
For an experimental congregation committed to art, compassion and resistance. The day-long celebration is an outgrowth of the popular website and will blend elements of a tent revival, cabaret and an art festival to inspire and energize UUs returning to their own congregations with ideas for outreach.	

U.U. Association of Membership Professionals	\$8,000
Des Moines , IA	
<i>Planning: Membership Professional Certification Design</i>	
To design a certification program that is attainable, accessible and applicable for congregational membership professionals to support the growth of congregations and to ensure that membership staff are well trained and well prepared leaders.	
U.U. Church of Annapolis - AWAKE Ministries	\$5,000
Annapolis , MD	
<i>Awake Ministries Expansion</i>	
For a re-visioning and expansion of a new model of ministry created to share UU values and faith with those who have been historically untouched by the message of hope, inclusion and generosity - particularly people of color.	
U.U. Church of the Philippines	\$15,625
Negros Oriental , Philippines	
<i>Purchase of Lots and UU Chapel Construction</i>	
For the acquisition of two lots, construction of two chapels, and to complete construction of outside walls of the Aquino and Doldol chapels.	
U.U. Class Conversations	\$9,000
Medford , MA	
<i>Talking Across Class Divides to Strengthen UUism</i>	
To expand awareness of class and classism in Unitarian Universalism by offering workshops nationally, developing follow-up materials, recruiting and training trainers, and convening a national conference.	
U.U. History and Heritage Society	\$4,250
Scituate , MA	
<i>The UUA Empowerment Controversy Revisited</i>	
To support the collection of materials and stories, a first step in a comprehensive exploration of the Empowerment Controversy, an extremely painful period in the early years of the UUA that led to a near schism and the disaffection of many African Americans from UU membership and practice.	
U.U. Ministers Association	\$15,000
Boston , MA	
<i>Reflections on the Visible and Invisible in Ministry</i>	
To support a conference and public a book reflecting on the experiences and challenges faced by ministers of color and Latina/o ministers serving culturally white institutions.	
U.U. Ministers Association	\$16,000
Boston , MA	
<i>Where Leadeth Our Call?</i>	
For a program - the third UUMA-wide conversation - that will explore the theological/spiritual grounding for calls to ministry and provide an opportunity to reflect on the impact of the changing multi-cultural religious landscape.	

U.U. Rowe Camp and Conference Center **\$10,000**
 Rowe , MA

Certificate Program in Spiritual Guidance

For a Certificate Program in Spiritual Guidance that offers formal training to individuals called upon to support others on their spiritual journey. This program offers spiritual guidance training that is rooted in UU beliefs and principles and open to the wisdom of all faith traditions.

Universalist Convention of North Carolina **\$4,000**
 Raleigh , NC

Shelter Neck Summer Camp

For support of a summer camp serving area UU children aged 7-17 and providing activities and connections that will keep youth involved in their UU faith through their teen and young adult years.

Universalist Recovery Church **\$10,000**
 Portland , OR

Worship Expansion

For a spiritual community offering recovery-specific worship in a UU context to people in recovery and their families, including addicts, veterans, mentally ill and formerly incarcerated people.

UUTube Project **\$2,200**
 Denton , TX

UUTube Project

Seed funding for a media project that will create, support and disseminate original and engaging video content to attract, engage and retain youth and young adults to Unitarian Universalism.

WellSprings Congregation **\$5,000**
 Exton , PA *\$5,000*

WellSprings Online Worship Lab

To build the capacity to offer experiential guidance and assistance to UU communities interested in exploring innovative worship models and to use high quality video, contemporary worship and music to draw new people to Unitarian Universalism.

of Grants Made: 31

Grants Made Total:	\$290,825
<i>Challenge Grants Made Total:</i>	<i>\$31,600</i>
Grand Total:	\$322,425