



Unitarian Universalist Funding Program Fund for Unitarian Universalism Grants Made 2015

CampUUs Boston **\$7,000**
Jamaica Plain, MA *\$2,000*
CampUUsBoston

A second grant 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 U.U. Congregation **\$7,000**
Escondido, CA
Launching SpiritRest Silent Retreat

For a facilitated five-day silent retreat for UUs to be held in Santa Barbara, California. The goal is to affirm a faith tradition of commitment, practice, and exploration, to inspire similar projects and an openness to spiritual transformation.

Chicago Chalice Connection
Chicago, IL *\$11,000*
Chicago Chalice Connection - 2

A second grant for UU young adults in the Chicagoland area to join in supportive and accessible community to cultivate religious growth, develop leadership and participate in local struggles for social justice.

Church of the Larger Fellowship (c)
Boston, MA *\$5,160*
CLF Prison Ministry Expansion Project

To expand the CLF Prison Ministry, increasing capacity to serve prisoners through collaboration with other congregations, deepening denominational and nationwide commitment and ability to serve prisoners, and to advocate for prison reform.

Church of the Larger Fellowship (c) **\$16,000**
Boston, MA
Black Lives Matter at CLF

To facilitate and promote online presentations of vigils, worship services and public events designed and led by persons of color. The goals of the project are to serve people of color who are not currently being fully served in predominantly white congregations, to promote Unitarian Universalism, and to compile and curate voices of UU people of color and other leaders about race, racism and faith.

First U.U. Church of San Diego **\$10,200**
San Diego, CA
Building Bi-lingual Beloved Community

To create a bilingual UU religious community through enhanced capacities in interpretation and through the creation of a free, facilitated language exchange program.

First Unitarian Church, Portland	\$6,000
Portland, OR	
<i>Collaborative Alternative Worship Service Bridging Online and Physical</i>	
To launch an alternative worship service in collaboration with Church of the Larger Fellowship (CLF) that will serve people both in-person and virtually and nurture a younger demographic searching for a spiritual community.	
International Women's Convocation	\$10,000
Houston, TX	
<i>Expanding Women's Leadership Development and Interconnection around the</i>	
To support women leaders in India, Philippines and Uganda by promoting grassroots leadership development, to bring South American women to a gathering in Bolivia to exchange ideas; and to increase the visibility of these initiatives across the United States.	
Liberal Religious Educators Association	\$8,600
Providence, RI	
<i>Updating LREDA's Digital Infrastructure & Communication Channels</i>	
For development of a LREDA mobile app and specialized trainings for religious professionals so they are better equipped with the resources to provide dynamic, high quality programming.	
New England Region of the UUA	\$17,000
Watertown, MA	
<i>Faithify</i>	
To redesign and rebuild the FAITHIFY website, creating a new template and payment processing architecture, to simplify and improve users' experience and reduce administrative costs.	
Preaching by Heart	\$12,000
Lexington, MA	
<i>Preaching by Heart</i>	
For a second 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	\$12,000
Westport, CT	
<i>Sexually Safer UU Congregations Year Two</i>	
A second grant to develop and provide materials and technical assistance for a national program for congregations to develop policies and practices to prevent sexual abuse, sexual harassment and professional sexual misconduct. By the end of 2016 more than 200 UU congregations will have earned the Sexually Safer Best Practice Congregation seal.	
Sacred Fire Unitarian Universalist	\$5,000
Carrboro, NC	<i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Covenanted Communities of Interdependence and Solidarity</i>	
To create and implement the infrastructure necessary to plant six new chapters of justice-engaged covenanted UU communities.	

Sanctuary	\$5,000
Vassalboro, ME	
<i>Services for Clergy in Crisis</i>	
To provide an intentional and safe experience to clergy in crisis/transition that includes counseling, spiritual reflection, recreation and rest.	
Skinner House Books	\$3,850
Boston, MA	
<i>The Joy of the Journey</i>	
A second grant for 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 (a)	\$3,000
McHenry, IL	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>Adult Choir Pilgrimage to Romania</i>	
For a scholarship program for the choir to visit Romania to connect with Romanian UUs through music. The tour will include visits to historic sites, concerts and cultural sharing.	
TRUUST & UUA LGBTQ and Multicultural Programs	\$8,000
Boston, MA	<i>\$8,000</i>
<i>Retreat for Trans UU Professionals</i>	
For a retreat for transgender and gender queer UU Religious Professionals to build community, healing, and a way forward in recognition of serious challenges faced by “out” TG/GQ religious professionals. The goals are to provide spiritual and emotional healing and resilience, a sense of renewed partnership with the UUA and to create opportunities for an increased denominational commitment to anti-oppression work.	
U.U. Association of Membership Professionals	\$7,000
Madison, WI	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>Membership Professional Certification</i>	
A second grant for 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 Sarasota	\$10,000
Sarasota, FL	<i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Developing a Multi-site Campus in Lakewood Ranch Florida</i>	
For the combined efforts of the UU Church of Sarasota and the Manatee UU Fellowship to develop a multi-site UU campus in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, one of the fastest growing areas of the US.	
U.U. Church of Savannah	\$16,000
Savannah, GA	
<i>Savannah Soundings - Community Radio Phase III</i>	
For a church-run FM radio station and online radio platform that will bring greater voice and visibility of Unitarian Universalism to the Savannah community and beyond.	

U.U. Church of the Philippines	\$21,000
Negros Oriental, Philippines	
<i>Youth for Sexuality Education (YSEA)</i>	
For a gathering of 250 UU youth, 17-20 years old, who are among the poorest people in the country, to learn about sexuality, reproductive health, life skills and their faith. Before the conference, 20 young adults will receive training in OWL, the Our Whole Lives program.	
U.U. Community Cooperatives, Inc.	\$15,000
Roxbury, MA	
<i>Organization, Development and Coordination Project</i>	
To facilitate the growth of intentional communities grounded in UU values and traditions. The project will develop and implement expanded administrative systems and best practices to meet the needs of a growing movement.	
U.U. Ministers Association	\$17,000
Boston, MA	
<i>Clergy Health and Wellness Project</i>	
To develop a health and wellness program - "Choose Health"- for ministers, to train coaches in creating an environment for clergy to set goals, help clergy become mindful of personal limits, and form healthy habits to decrease clergy burnout.	
U.U. Musicians Network	\$13,000
Charlotte, NC	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>2016 Unitarian Universalist Childrens Choir</i>	
To support enhanced programming for the Children's Choir in conjunction with General Assembly of the UUA in Columbus, Ohio in 2016. The project provides rich experiences for UU musicians young and old.	
U.U. Partner Church Council (d)	\$12,000
Bedford, MA	
<i>Nurturing UU Connections to Strengthen Our Shared Future</i>	
To support two programs - one targeting teens through an International Youth Camp and the other targeting young adults at the ICUU Council Meeting in Amsterdam. Both programs will facilitate opportunities for participants from around the world to meet one another, develop connections and worship together, creating the groundwork for a growing partnership.	
U.U. Rowe Camp and Conference Center	\$10,000
Rowe, MA	
<i>Certificate Program in Spiritual Guidance</i>	
A second grant for a Certificate Program in Spiritual Guidance that offers formal training to individuals called upon to support others on their spiritual journey. The program offers spiritual guidance training that is rooted in UU beliefs and principles and open to the wisdom of all faith traditions.	

UUnited Youth Group**\$6,000**

Taunton, MA

UUnited Regional Youth Group

For a youth group from seven participating local area congregations that have joined to share resources and inspire youth to create worship, provide service to others, maintain UU identity and experience the awesome power of love.

White Bear U.U. Church**\$5,000**

Mahtomedi, MN

St. Croix Valley Outreach Project

For a localized outreach effort to support a large cluster of members in a specific geographic area and to deepen members connections and advance ties with the local interfaith social justice community. The church community draws from 75 different towns and cities. The project may serve as a model for other UU congregations.

of Grants Made: 28

Grants Made Total:	\$256,650
<i>Challenge Grants Made Total:</i>	<i>\$49,660</i>
Grand Total:	\$306,310