

UU Funding Program
Fund for UU Social Responsibility
Grants Made Spring 2023

Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship

\$18,000

Reproductive Justice Welcome and Care Project
Carbondale, IL

The Reproductive Justice Group (“RJG”) of the Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship (“CUF”) will create and provide comfort bags to be given to surgical abortion clients of CHOICES Center for Reproductive Health in Carbondale, IL. We will also provide quarterly meals to welcome CHOICES staff to our community. The RJG will engage other community partners to assist with this project.

Coalition of UU State Action Networks

\$19,000 TA

CUUSAN Technical support and Training,
Harrisburg, PA

CUUSAN will purchase one subscription to the digital platform EveryAction (formerly SALSA), from Bonterra Tech consisting of 22 chapters available to our SAN members. This makes available to SANs a powerful integrated database management tool at a fraction of the cost for a standalone subscription. All SANS who pay dues have access to EveryAction, and dues are assessed based on the SAN budget size.

Foothills Unitarian Church

\$17,000 / \$3,000TA

Community Impact Program
Fort Collins, CO

The Social Impact Program mobilizes congregants through seven lay-led service-oriented justice teams: Reproductive Justice, Racial Justice, LGBT+ Justice, Immigration Justice, Climate Justice, Housing Security, and Food Security. The program catalyzes intersectional programming, fosters generosity, deepens community partnerships, and enhances emergency response readiness

Justice Center at All Peoples

\$6,500 / \$2,500

Protecting Voting Rights
Louisville, KY

Using mobilizing strategies, The Justice Center works with congregations and community based organizations in Louisville, KY to ensure opportunities for people with felonies in their past to regain their voting rights.

Kern Welcoming and Extending Solidarity to Immigrants

\$10,000 / \$2,000

Commissary and Post Release Fund
Bakersfield, CA

KWESI is an all-volunteer social justice ministry of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Kern County that supports immigrants who are detained at GEO for-profit detention

facilities in Kern County with visits and commissary deposits. We advocate to protect the human rights of immigrants in detention, promote their release, and support them post release with housing, transportation, and case management.

Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network **\$12,000 / \$2,000**
Partnering for Native Justice in Michigan
Royal Oak, MI

MUUSJN will partner with the Native Justice Coalition (NJC), an indigenous led non-profit organization, to: educate UU's about Michigan Native American's cultures, spiritual beliefs and social justice challenges; participate the NJC's Truth and Reconciliation Commission that educates the public about Native American oppression and promote UU attendance at NJC's conference on racism.

Mount Diablo UU Church **\$15,000 / \$2,500**
Faith Without Walls
Walnut Creek, CA

The congregation has identified a need for access to basic living resources for those who are disconnected from community. Faith Without Walls will provide accompaniment for the most fragile so that we can serve people where they are, and as they are and connect needs to connect needs to services.

Texas UU Justice Ministry **\$20,000 /\$2,000 TA**
Texas UU Justice Ministry Deepens Organizing on Decarceration, Trans-Inclusion, & 8th Principle
San Antonio, TX

TXUJMJ reactivated in late 2021, after a decade of being largely focused on the Texas Legislature. The organization is now growing to a slate of programs grounded in the 8th principle of UUism. At a pivotal moment for human rights in Texas, TXUJMJ seeks financial support of our anti-racism/anti-oppression, decarceration and trans rights work, with program scholarships and a much-needed community organizer role.

UU Justice Arizona **\$20,000**
Moving to Shared Leadership Challenge Grant
Tempe, AZ

Unitarian Universalist Justice Arizona Network (UUJAZ) seeks to move to a shared leadership model, increasing our capacity and institutional strength to continue to organize UUs in Arizona.

UU Justice Arizona **\$20,000**
Institute for Radical Permission
Tempe, AZ

For UU leaders to participate in the Institute for Radical Permission by adrienne maree brown and Sonya Renee Taylor in a shared leadership project with Black Lives Matter

Phoenix Metro. This grant will partially cover UUJAZ's facilitators and scholarships for UU participation.

UU Justice Ministry of North Carolina

\$19,000 / \$2,000 TA

North Carolina LGBTQ Inclusion, Safety & Advocacy Campaign
Durham, NC

North Carolina currently faces an onslaught of attacks on LGBTQ people, but UUs are a part of an intersectional movement proclaiming the sacredness of every body and working to keep our LGBTQ siblings safe. UU Justice NC seeks to support our congregations in 1) strengthening Trans/LGBTQ welcome & inclusion in our churches 2) growing as visible & useful allies in our communities & 3) organizing for LGBTQ rights.

UUs for a Just Economic Community

\$12,000

Justice on Earth: Systemic Change for the Climate Emergency
Chicago, IL

Because agriculture is a major contributor to greenhouse gasses, UUJEC wants to host a conference in Washington, DC to lobby for climate justice in the Farm Bill. The Farm Bill is likely the only bill that would be able to repair some of the climate damage in agriculture as it's the only major bill with bipartisan support--it's a must pass bill. After education, they go to the hill and lobby US Senators.

UU Mass Action

\$18,000 / \$1,000

Indigenous Solidarity Justice
Jamaica Plain, MA

To continue to work with organizing team leading the Massachusetts Indigenous Legislative Agenda. This campaign, focused on indigenous rights in Massachusetts, is central to their work for racial justice. The campaign continues to work on legislation that will prohibit racist mascots, establish Indigenous Peoples Day, protect indigenous heritage, celebrate, and teach Native American culture and history.

WUUSAN - Wisconsin UU State Action Network

\$5,000 / \$2,750

Wisconsin Unitarian Universalist State Action Network (WUUSAN)
Sister Bay, WI

The continuation of establishing an outreach coordinator for WUUSAN whose function is to bring together as a single voice on social justice issues through WUUSAN UU's and UU congregations in Wisconsin. This effort began in 2021 and has established a footing in Wisconsin. The current effort is to gain enough credibility to make WUUSAN self-sustaining

Total Grants: \$172,500

Total Challenge: \$32,750

Total TA: \$26,000

Challenge Grants are in Italics