



**Unitarian Universalist Funding Program  
Fund For UU Social Responsibility  
2017 Grants**

**Black Lives Matter to Wisconsin UUs** **\$5,000**  
Brookfield, WI

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*BLM2WUU Education/Action Project*  
Black Lives Matter to Wisconsin UUs

**First Unitarian Church of Sioux City** **\$13,700**  
Sioux City, IA

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*Social Justice SUX*

To “supercharge” the First Unitarian Church’s social justice impact by hosting an anti-racism workshop to address white supremacy within the church and community, to establish a social justice community choir, and to increase the capacity of the social justice organizations housed at the church.

**First UU Church of Essex County** **\$10,000**  
Orange, NJ *\$5,000*

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*The HUUB: Orange Recovers*

For a collective recovery project to address community-wide traumas from gun violence and hate speech. As a 125-year-old anchor institution in an urban community, the HUUB is a natural physical and social connector for developing relationships based on justice, equity and compassion.

**Flaming Chalice International** **\$10,000**  
Saskatoon, SK *\$2,000*

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*UU Refugee and Immigrant Ministry*

To initiate a UU refugee ministry project in response to the crisis affecting Burundian Unitarians. The project will educate UUs about refugee issues, inspire ongoing actions, motivate refugees through a storytelling retreat, and offer a pastoral presence to Francophone immigrants.

**Minnesota U.U. Social Justice Alliance** **\$5,000**  
Minneapolis, MN *\$2,500*

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*MUUSJA Work with MARCH*

To support and develop the growing UU network and their solidarity with MARCH - Multifait, Anti-Racism, Change and Healing - mobilizing people of faith in the Twin Cities to confront white supremacy and promote racial justice. Projects include developing a Solidarity Safety Net Program, the Sacred Solidarity Network 2.0, and pop-up trainings and workshops.

**Northwest UU Justice Network** **\$15,000**  
Woodinville, WA *\$4,000*

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*Washington State Action Network Evolution - Year One*

To evolve a more effective, inclusive and spiritually-grounded UU Washington State Action Network (WASAN) that inspires greater engagement by young adults, religious professionals, and congregational leads and attracts leadership from marginalized people and effective collaboration with their partner organizations.

**Summit UU Fellowship** **\$2,000**  
Santee, CA \$3,000

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*Las Colinas Outreach Ministry*

To offer twice-monthly interfaith religious services at the Las Colinas Women’s Detention Center as part of a larger prison ministry program that also includes restorative justice and re-entry services.

**Unitarian Church of Marlborough and Hudson** **\$8,000**  
Hudson, MA

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*Speaking by Heart*

To teach State Advocacy Network (SANs) activists to deliver their own “Ted Talks” on the critical timely issues, giving them the knowledge, skills and confidence to speak without notes or manuscripts in the public square, legislative halls, and their own congregations.

**UU Advocacy Network of Illinois (UUANI)** **\$15,000**  
Carbondale, IL \$4,000

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*Advocating for a Fair Tax in Illinois*

To mobilize the statewide network to engage in legislative advocacy and voter engagement, based on UU vision and values, for a progressive income tax in IL, to address income inequality and more adequately and equitably fund education and human services.

**UU Church of Chattanooga** **\$11,117**  
Chattanooga, TN

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*Healing of Memories: Tennessee*

For workshops and programs led by Healing of Memories, based on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of South Africa, to address the trauma of violence experienced by people most affected by issues of racial and economic inequalities; and to train facilitators to extend the work beyond the initial offerings.

**UU Church of Davis** **\$5,500**  
Davis, CA

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*Strengthening our Alliance with SPEAK*

To support undocumented students at UC Davis by hosting student-run events at UUCD and to defray costs for a student empowerment week on campus.

**UU Church of Loudoun** **\$3,500**  
Leesburg, VA

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*Loudoun Falls for Social Change*

To amplify and expand the impact of the annual “Loudoun Falls for Social Justice” public awareness event connecting volunteers with support groups working on poverty alleviation, racial equity, and other social justice causes within the county, and through the presentation of the “Ann Robinson Social Justice Award.”

**UU Church of the Philippines** **\$19,500**  
Negros Oriental,

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*UUCP Growing for Life*

To adapt Our Whole Lives (OWL) trainings for youth and their parents in a Philippine context, addressing comprehensive sexual health issues - primarily teen pregnancy, single motherhood and the increasing infection rates of people with HIV/AIDS - and to continue to train presenters.

<b>UU Justice Ministry of North Carolina</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
Hillsborough, NC	\$1,000

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*“Rebooting” the UU Justice Ministry of NC*

With the active involvement & generous support of NC’s 26 UU congregations, more than 4400 members and more than 40 UU ministers, this project will, within 2 years, completely “reboot” and re-launch the UU Justice Ministry of NC as a better-organized, well-funded, more visible and more effective statewide UU justice ministry.

<b>UU Justice Ohio</b>	
Worthington, OH	<b>\$3,000</b>

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*The Future of Social Justice in Ohio*

To develop new and innovative ways to meet the rapidly changing social and political environment, to engage in a collaborative discovery and planning process with UU and Ohio social justice organizations.

<b>UU Massachusetts Action Network</b>	
Greenbush, MA	<b>\$10,000</b>

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*Massachusetts UU Climate Justice Network*

To strengthen the network of UU congregations working together on climate justice through the development of a unified, non-violent civil disobedience and advocacy campaign. The campaign will build the capacity of UU congregations to demand that the local utility company increase renewable energy and consider energy equity.

<b>UU Massachusetts Action Network</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
Greenbush, MA	

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*Sanctuary and Solidarity*

To develop and support sanctuary churches, including creating a network of support for sanctuary churches, developing a rapid response network by regional cluster groups, and to advocate for legislation to protect all of Massachusetts’ residents.

<b>UU Ministers Association</b>	<b>\$17,500</b>
Boston, MA	<b>\$2,500</b>

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*Beyond the Call 3: Grounding & Growing Our Prophetic Ministries*

For an intensive program that will train participants in advanced skills for nurturing, leading and supporting UU social justice activism in these volatile times where White Supremacy, fascism and xenophobia are on the rise and so many marginalized people and communities are fighting oppression.

<b>UU Pennsylvania Legislative Ministry</b>	
Harrisburg, PA	<b>\$15,000</b>

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*Equipping Congregational Leadership with Empowered Citizen Advocacy*

For a 2-day, 4-part train-the-trainer retreat on citizen advocacy that includes the spiritual underpinning for the work, direct instruction to conduct legislative visits and perspectives from elected legislators. Participants will meet with elected state officials in their state or district offices.

<b>UU Prison Ministry of Illinois</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Evanston, IL	

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*UU Prison Ministry of Illinois*

To foster connections between UU congregations and people incarcerated in Illinois prisons; to build a UU presence inside prisons; and establishing welcoming congregations for people returning from incarceration.

**UU Rowe Camp and Conference Center** **\$20,000**  
Rowe, MA

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*Social Justice Training Program Start-up Project*

To create a two-year low-residency Social Justice Training Program for social justice workers that provides the skills to better do their work, practices to sustain themselves to continue that work, and networks of colleagues to support them.

**UUs for Social Justice in the National Capital Region** **\$15,000**  
Washington, DC *\$2,500*

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*Expanding Capacity for UU Advocacy in the Nation's Capitol*

To organize and mobilize UUs nationwide to vigorously advocate, promote and defend UU values threatened at the federal level by an unparalleled assault on American democratic principles.

**West Shore UU Church** **\$20,000**  
Rocky River, OH

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*West Shore Congregation Centered, Community Outreach Ministry*

To raise congregational awareness of the impact of white supremacy culture. The work will include the creation of a digital and analogue resource center and opportunities to engage in social and radical justice efforts in the larger community.

**# of Grants Made: 23**

	<b>Grants Made Total:</b>	<b>\$235,817</b>
	<i>Challenge Grants Made Total:</i>	<i>\$54,500</i>
	<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$290,317</b>