



**Unitarian Universalist Funding Program  
Fund For UU Social Responsibility  
Grants Made 2018**

**Canadian Unitarian Council** **\$20,000**  
Toronto, ON

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*Rooting Reconciliation in Unitarian Universalist Congregations*

To launch the Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Reflection guide and integrate it into the organizations and systems of the CUC, including congregations. The goal is to foster congregational engagement in creating relationships of trust and respect with Indigenous peoples.

**Church of the Larger Fellowship** **\$5,000**  
Boston, MA *\$5,000*

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*Worthy Now, Phase II: Organizing for Justice and Sustainability*

To expand their prison ministry and justice network to serve more incarcerated UUs and their allies through working with congregations and statewide UU legislative action networks. They anticipate that by 2019 there will be 1,000 members who are incarcerated.

**DRUUMM (Diverse and Revolutionary UU Multicultural Ministries)** **\$10,000**  
Chicago, IL

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*DRUUMM Administry Project*

To enable DRUUMM to move into its full potential of impactful multicultural ministry and become a self-sustaining organization. Central to this is the creation of a contracted ministry of administration position to give this vital organization serving UUs of Color stability and support.

**Emerson UU Church Houston** **\$12,000**  
Houston, TX *\$1,000*

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*English Classes for Immigrants Project*

To offer multiple levels of English classes to adult immigrants in Houston so they will be better equipped to find jobs, succeed in school, prepare for citizenship, and assimilate. The program also provides childcare for the students.

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

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*Achieving Lift-Off*

To partner with Fueling Main to develop a new, innovative project of community investment for capital projects that will allow The HUUB, an urban ministry, to expand and build a healthy and thriving community.

<b>First UU Society of Syracuse</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>
Syracuse, NY	<i>\$1,500</i>

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*Building Beloved Community Beyond the Binary*

For a 2-track conference to focus on transgender and gender identity issues, one for cisgender people, the other for Trans and non binary people. The conference will also create a toolkit of resources for other congregations to host similar conferences.

<b>Flaming Chalice International</b>	<b>\$8,600</b>
Saskatoon, SK	<i>\$1,500</i>

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*Multicultural Companionship: Residents and Newcomers Building Community*

To create a companionship program for newcomers to fight against racism and isolation, gain access to services, and promote integration. It is expected that Canada will receive 1 million newcomers over the next 3 years, many of whom are settling in Western Canada, including the Saskatoon area. The project will build community and aims to attain a harmonious integration for newcomers to the community.

<b>Holston Valley UU Church</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Gray, TN	<i>\$2,500</i>

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*OWL Outreach: Comprehensive Sexuality Education in the Tri-Cities*

To provide developmentally appropriate, inclusive, fact-based comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) for youth grades K-college in the Memphis tri-city area. CSE is not available in public schools because educators in TN cannot, by law, present information about “gateway” sexual activities. While “gateway” sexual activities are not defined, if a parent complains, an educator can be fined up to \$500 per student and charged with a Class C misdemeanor.

<b>JUJustice Washington</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Woodinville, WA	

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*Washington State Action Network Evolution - Year Two*

To evolve a more effective UU Washington State Action Network by launching issue and legislative advocacy teams connected to intersectionality and manifesting our values through our justice work, and by building organizational capacity.

<b>Michigan UU Social Justice Network</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Royal Oak, MI	<i>\$1,000</i>

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*Women and LGBTQ Rights Collaboration Project*

To promote communication between women’s and LGBTQ rights leaders and grassroots activists in Michigan through MUUSJN’s Interfaith Reproductive Justice Coalition. The project will hold workshops, expand the coalition’s membership and engage in advocacy to address common goals.

**Minnesota UU Social Justice Alliance** **\$10,000**  
Minneapolis, MN

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*MUUSJA Statewide Organizing*

To increase outreach to the 14 congregations in rural Minnesota to build connections to other UU communities and strengthen their skills for social justice in their local contexts.

**Sacred Fire Unitarian Universalist** **\$7,500**  
Carrboro, NC

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*Prophetic Justice Leadership*

For small group, ministry-based social justice leadership trainings for congregants and religious professionals nationwide, facilitated by a high-caliber team of ministers with longtime training expertise in racial justice and community organizing.

**Tahoma UU Congregation** **\$10,000**  
Tacoma, WA **\$1,000**

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*Breathe: A Healing Retreat for Black Womxn*

To establish a sustainable healing space where Black womxn, Femmes, Trans and non-binary Black Folx can rest, recharge and regroup on a regular basis. The partnership is also an exercise in understanding white power and privilege and offers opportunities to disrupt and dismantle it.

**UU Action Network of New Hampshire** **\$5,000**  
Concord, NH **\$5,000**

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*Seed Money to Start-Up UUANH*

For a state-wide UU advocacy network to amplify UU voices and values in New Hampshire, working together across congregations, focusing on education, witness, and systemic change.

**UU Advocacy Network of Illinois (UUANI)** **\$10,000**  
Carbondale, IL **\$5,000**

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*UUANI Social Justice Leadership Corps*

To develop a Social Justice Leadership Corps to engage the broader membership of our congregations in social justice ministry. The project aims to and to increase capacity for collective action through a leadership development program combining UU spiritual grounding/formation and organizing/advocacy skills training with a covenant small group model.

**UU Church of Boulder** **\$6,000**  
Boulder, CO **\$1,000**

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*Boulder County Sanctuary Coalition Advocacy Organizer*

To provide a part-time organizer for an interfaith coalition supporting undocumented people, detainees and providing sanctuary.

**UU Church of Canton**

Canton, NY

\$4,500

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*Social Justice Initiative: Criminal Justice and Mass Incarceration*

For the UU Church of Canton’s Social Justice Initiative’s Fall 2019 biennial regional conference, exploring how the administration of justice in the region and state is impacted by racial bias, education issues, income inequality, immigration, addiction, and mental health concerns, resulting in the US having the highest rate of incarceration in the world.

**UU Church of Spokane**

\$17,000

Spokane, WA

\$3,000

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*Spokane Immigration Coalition*

To support the creation of an immigrants rights coalition in Spokane County that provides legal aid, training, a hotline, and coordinated advocacy to empower immigrant families navigating our immigration system and deportation proceedings.

**UU Church of the Philippines**

\$8,500

Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental

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*Alleviate the Impact of Climate Change through Water Shed Rehabilitation*

To rehabilitate the water source located on the land owned by UUCP, to educate local women about their rights, and distribute a portion of the land to a few families in Brgy Nataban, San Carlos City, Negros Occidental.

**UU Church of Wakefield**

Wakefield, MA

\$5,000

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*The UU Harm Reduction Program of the Merrimack Valley*

To train UUs to work in the field to prevent opioid deaths and overdoses, disease transmission and injury, distributing sterile syringes and naloxone, collecting dirty syringes, teaching safe injection and life-saving measures, public education and advocacy, and working with like-minded agencies.

**UU Justice Florida**

\$10,000

Sarasota, FL

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*Replicable & Scalable Water Wise & Hurricane Strong Summer Camp Pilot*

In coordination with faith and environmental groups, the project works to create an understanding of environmental issues and a culture of informed preparedness and to raise youth into leadership. The long-term outcomes include documenting a model collaboration of multiple UU congregations, build relationships and resilience in low income and vulnerable communities.

**UU Justice Ohio** **\$1,000**  
Worthington, OH

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*Expanding UUJO: Social Media Renovation and Annual Assembly Outreach*

To create an interactive website/social media presence, and to expand UUJO's outreach by welcoming the Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis, Co-Director of the National Poor People's Campaign, to keynote UUJO's November 2018 Assembly, speaking on the need for an intersectional approach to justice and moral revival.

**UU Massachusetts Action Network** **\$20,000**  
Greenbush, MA

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*Interfaith Sanctuary & Solidarity Project*

To continue building UU Mass Action's interfaith resistance network and work in solidarity with the people in our immigrant communities, as well as our Muslim neighbors who are under attack from our government. The work includes building and strengthening the accompaniment structure, growing the pool of available attorneys, building resistance networks and engaging in direct action.

**UU Massachusetts Action Network** **\$10,000**  
Greenbush, MA *\$2,500*

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*Criminal Law Reform & Accountability*

To engage activists in holding officials accountable in implementing mandates in 2018's historic Criminal Law Reform, an important step in decriminalizing poverty, reforming the state's practice of solitary confinement, reporting data in a transparent way and reducing mass incarceration.

**UU Prison Ministry of Illinois** **\$7,000**  
Evanston, IL *\$1,500*

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*UU Prison Ministry of Illinois - 2018-19 Curriculum, Outreach & Solidarity*

To equip UU's to transform institutions and to support people harmed by the prison industrial complex, including launching programs to support incarcerated men, providing donations to prisons from congregations and to organize congregation-based solidarity circles for returning citizens.

**UUs for Social Justice in the National Capital Region** **\$13,000**  
Washington, DC

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*Building a National UU Rapid Response Advocacy Network*

To engage UUs in direct advocacy at the federal level, develop a national rapid response system, implement a pilot nationwide outreach protocol to engage congregations, build a data management system, and develop strategic partnerships with UU groups to reduce redundancy of efforts and plan for enhanced sustainability.

**West Shore UU Church**

**\$15,000**

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 through learning and engagement, utilizing research models to equip members with increased skills to sustain faithful relationships with UU congregations and community partners, particularly organizations led by people of color.

**# of Grants Made: 27**

<b>Grants Made Total:</b>	<b>\$236,600</b>
<i>Challenge Grants Made Total:</i>	<i>\$58,500</i>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$295,100</b>