

## UU Funding Program 2006 ANNUAL REPORT

### Grants Made by the Fund for Unitarian Universalist Social Responsibility

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**Total Number of Grants Made:** 30  
**Grants Made:** \$184,148  
*Challenge Grants Made (Italics):* \$82,560  
**Total Grants Made:** \$266,648

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**\$5,000**    \$3,500    **All Souls U.U. Church of Kansas City / Kansas City, MO**  
***Afraid of the Dark Faith Community Reading Circles***

For a partnership with the Urban League of Greater Kansas City and other congregations to pilot interracial reading and dialogue circles, bringing together diverse congregations and providing a structure for constructive conversations about race issues to take place.

**\$8,000**    \$4,000    **Center for Relational Living/Joseph Priestley District    Wilmington, DE**  
***Delaware Women's AVP Re-entry Project***

For a program to engage Delaware UU congregations with other religious societies to become partnering faith communities working to transform and restore the lives of female ex-offenders.

**\$4,000**    **Church of the Larger Fellowship / Boston, MA**  
***Companions in Faith***

To expand the Prison Ministry enabling those incarcerated to explore the message of liberal religion through interactive UU RE correspondence courses, and to provide opportunities for deeper connection and learning between "free world" CLFers and incarcerated UUs.

**\$3,500**    **Edmonds U.U. Church/ Edmonds, WA**  
***North Puget Sound Interweave Outreach to GLTIB***

To support development of a regional chapter of Interweave encompassing three UU congregations to provide social, political and spiritual support to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex people who have entered these churches.

**\$4,000**    **Eno River U.U.F. & U.U. Church of Greensboro Collaboration/ Durham, NC**  
***Supporting NC Farmworkers' Efforts to Build Union***

For a collaboration of the two UU farmworker advocacy committees to recruit and educate UU congregations and volunteers who will work to facilitate farmworkers efforts to build their union and improve their working and living conditions.

**\$2,500**    **First U.U. Church of Nashville (GLBT Group)/ Nashville, TN**  
***Vote No to Tennessee's Amendment to Deny Same Sex Marriage***

To develop a statewide coalition of Tennessee UU churches and individuals to support marriage equality in response to a state constitutional amendment opposing same-sex marriage.

**\$1,138**    **First U.U. Society of Albany - Social Action Council/ Albany, NY**  
***Building Bridges***

For a collaboration of the Justice Committee of the congregation's Social Responsibility Council and Prison Action Network to address prison and criminal justice issues.

**\$3,240 First Unitarian Church of Cincinnati- Social Justice Committee/  
Cincinnati, OH**

***Interfaith Hospitality Network - Coming Home***

To provide shelter, meals and activities for homeless families and to work in partnership with an interfaith organization of 22 other congregations to address issues of housing and homelessness.

**\$4,000 First Universalist Church of Essex/ Essex, MA**

***Community Social Justice Ministry***

For a second grant to continue to develop a multi-faceted program of organizing, advocacy and service so that social justice remains a central aspect of the church mission.

**\$15,000 Jericho Road Lawrence / North Andover, MA**

***Jericho Road Lawrence***

For a program of the North Parish Church designed to enhance the organizational capacity and economic stability of not-for-profits by providing free business and technical expertise, matching skilled volunteers to client organizations.

**\$10,000 \$5,000 Jericho Road Project – Concord / Concord, MA**

***The Jericho Road Project***

To expand and continue to develop a U.U. social action model in congregations across the country aimed at promoting economic sustainability by addressing causes rather than symptoms of social inequity.

**\$8,000 \$4,000 M.D.D. Justice Ministries Service Area/ Denver, CO**

***M.D.D. Justice Ministries***

A third grant to institutionalize a District-based model for social justice ministries that uses clusters of UU congregations to build the capacity and power of UUs to create institutional social change.

**\$6,000 NH-VT District - N.H. Faithful Democracy / Concord, NH**

***N.H. Faithful Democracy***

A third grant to build a statewide, sustainable UU congregational process for a legislative advocacy network, to collaborate with allies to educate and advocate on state public policy issues and to raise the voice of Unitarian Universalists in the public square.

**\$2,000 \$4,000 Olympia U.U. Congregation – KAYCK/ Olympia, WA**

***Know All You Can Know Student Outreach and Summer Camp***

For a youth education and leadership training camp that is opposed to military recruitment in schools and fosters youth leadership of sustainable, peaceful lifestyles.

**\$10,000 \$7,000 Promise the Children/ Nahant, MA**

***Promise the Children National Program***

A second grant to expand advocacy for children and youth by developing outreach at a national level and more fully engaging U.U. clergy and lay leaders in child advocacy initiatives.

**\$3,000 \$4,000 Rainier Valley U.U. Congregation / Seattle, WA**

***Urban Ministry Program***

For an urban ministry program in Seattle to develop partnerships with social service agencies to assist in providing services and developing projects that address community needs, particularly addressing issues of racial diversity and social justice.

**\$12,770**    \$3,500    **U.U. Church of Belfast Restorative Justice Project/ Belfast, ME**  
***Restorative Justice Project***

A second grant for a program to lower crime and recidivism, foster rehabilitation of offenders, and support systemic change in the schools and criminal/juvenile justice systems by training community volunteers.

**\$5,000**    \$2,500    **U.U. Church of Ogden / Ogden, UT**  
***OUTreach***

For a second year of support and to extend services for a drop-in center for GLBT youth ages 13 to 20 and to build local partnerships for social and financial support.

**\$5,000**    \$5,000    **U.U. Church of Saco and Biddeford / Saco, ME**  
***Reap and Sow***

A second grant to expand the Time Bank into the greater Saco/Biddeford area as an agent for equity and social justice by addressing the just distribution of resources by relying on a network of service credit exchanges.

**\$7,500**                    **U.U. Church of Spartanburg / Spartanburg, SC**  
***Parable Project***

For a project, based upon the “talents” parable of Jesus, intended to foster a sense of generosity and service among the congregation, that will raise money for both the church and a local school.

**\$5,000**    \$2,500    **U.U. Congregation of Andover / Andover, MA**  
***Merrimack Valley Refugee Immigration Ministry***

For collaboration between the church’s Social Justice Committee and Refugee Immigration Ministry (RIM) to resettle 10 asylum seekers in the coming year, helping them to move from dependency to full assimilation into the community.

**\$15,000**    \$1,500    **U.U. Congregation of Atlanta / Atlanta, GA**    ***John Hope Elementary School Partnership***

A second grant for an “all congregation ministry” working to improve academic achievement at an inner-city elementary school.

**\$20,000**    **U.U. Congregation of Columbia / Columbia, MD**  
***Scholarships for the Cradlerock Children’s Center***

To provide scholarships to disadvantaged children to attend a congregation-supported children’s center that serves the wider community with childcare and preschool programs.

**\$2,500**    **U.U. Congregation of Fairfax / Oakton, VA**  
***FUUSE Summer Experience***

To support and expand a program of the congregation’s Social Justice Lay Ministry that places UU youth in summer internships with social justice and service organizations in Fairfax County.

**\$5,000**    **U.U. Congregation of the Palisades / Englewood, NJ**  
***Reparations for Slavery Education Project***

To broaden the marketing efforts and expand guided discussions about the reparations for slavery movement across the United States, reaching out to community groups, religious and educational institutions.

**\$2,000**    \$2,500    **U.U. Congregation of the South Fork / Bridgehampton, NY**  
***“Homofiles” - an original play***

For collaboration with a theater company for production of an original play as a formative tool for building a Welcoming Congregation, to raise awareness, understanding and acceptance of GLBT life.

**\$6,000**    \$2,000    **U.U. Legislative Ministry of Maryland / Annapolis, MD**  
***U.U. Legislative Ministry of Maryland***

A second grant to strengthen and formalize its network of members, involve youth and collaborate with other UU groups on global warming and other priority issues.

**\$6,000**    \$9,000    **U.U. Massachusetts Action Network / Acton, MA**  
***UU Mass Action Network***

To support a program to give voice to UUs in Massachusetts through the establishment of a statewide UU program to identify and coordinate advocacy and legislative work, and prioritize action issues.

**\$7,000**    \$2,500    **Unity Church U.U. / North Easton, MA**  
***English Language Learners Program (UCCELL)***

For a program to provide English classes, life skills support and citizenship classes to adult, low income, non native English speakers in the Brockton, MA area.

**\$12,000**    \$4,000    **UP ON TOP After School Program / San Francisco, CA**  
***Up on Top***

To provide nurturing after school care and enriching programming for 24 children of low income families in San Francisco's Tenderloin district.