

WHAT IT MEANS TO SUPPORT THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION

What is the Unitarian Universalist Association or UUA and what does it do? Is supporting the UUA the same as supporting our own congregation? Out of our \$543,000 budget, \$22,000 goes to the UUA for their Annual Program Fund. They're deeply interconnected, and both are important, but they are not the same.

Our share of the Annual Program Fund contribution is calculated for each congregation from its operating expenses, and we are a 25+ Year Honor Congregation (formerly known as Fair Share Congregation), a distinction awarded to us because we always contribute the full requested amount. The UUA also does fundraise directly to members.

The heart of Unitarian Universalism lives in our congregations: in worship, in community, in service, and in relationship. The role of the UUA is to protect that heart: to resource it, connect it, and help ensure it continues to beat for generations to come.

We are all in this together, and that calls us to generosity in its fullest forms—giving to our congregation's annual stewardship campaign as well as to the UUA. When you support the UUA, you power a larger movement. You ensure congregations have the leadership, guidance, training, and relationships needed to support effective ministries and take meaningful action grounded in UU values.

This year's countrywide elections will have many defining moments. The forces that seek to intimidate and silence us are organized, well-funded, and entrenched, and it is more important than ever to show up for inclusive communities and protect democracy. What we do in this moment matters.

That's why the UUA has expanded [UU the Vote](#) to deepen our impact year-round. This reinvigorated national outreach program offers training, guidance, and resource options for individual congregations, communities, and local partners to mobilize voters, protect democracy, and live out our shared values in the public square.

On our own, we can reach those around us, but as an interconnected web of faith communities, we can build a movement of change strong enough to counter the hate and division nationwide.

And this is just one example.

With programs like [Green Sanctuary 2030](#), the [Mosaic curriculum](#), and [Our Whole Lives \(OWL\)](#), the UUA strengthens and connects congregations so that no community is working alone. Each congregation makes a difference in its own local context, and together we create a powerful, impactful expression of those values on a much larger scale.

This is the power of your support. Each time you give to the UUA, you make this transformational work rooted in love, justice, and collective action possible on a coordinated, national level.