

Member Organizations

DC Congregations

All Souls Church, Unitarian
Washington Ethical Society

Maryland Congregations

Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis
First Unitarian Church of Baltimore
Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church
Channing Memorial Church, Unitarian Universalist
Unitarian Universalist Congregation
of Columbia
Davies Memorial Unitarian
Universalist Church
Goodloe Memorial Unitarian
Universalist Congregation
Unitarian Universalist Congregation
of Frederick
Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church
River Road Unitarian Universalist
Congregation
Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville
Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring
Towson Unitarian Universalist Church

Virginia Congregations

Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church
Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington
Bull Run Unitarian Universalists
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax
Unitarian Universalist Church of Loudoun
Mount Vernon Unitarian Church Unitarian
Universalist Church in Reston
Unitarian Universalists of Sterling

Affiliate Organizations

Beacon House Community Ministry
Chesapeake UU Ministers Association
Open Door Housing Fund

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Donate \$30 or more annually

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About UUSJ

UUs for Social Justice is a tax-exempt, non-profit composed of member UU congregations, affiliated groups and individual members. We believe that working for justice is an expression of our religious faith. Guided by the principles of Unitarian Universalism, our purpose is to add value to the social justice work of UU congregations, affiliates and individuals.

UUSJ is governed by a Board of Directors composed of one representative from each member organization and co-chairs. The representatives are selected by the member organizations and serve for a term of three years. The Board sets policy, establishes priorities, raises money, and performs much of the work associated with UUSJ activities.

UUSJ is staffed by an Executive Director and Administrator. Both are ordained UU ministers, and each is paid for 10-15 hours of work. Office space is shared with OpenDoor Housing Fund (formerly UU Affordable Housing Corporation)

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Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice Baltimore-Washington- Northern Virginia Region



**Celebrating Ten Years of
Inspiring Ideas,
Sharing Resources,
Working Together**

UUSJ Vision and Mission

Vision: A vibrant regional community of Unitarian Universalists, working to make a peaceful, just, and sustainable world.

Mission: To provide leadership in the region for effective social action that reflects UU principles.

UUSJ is a learning community connecting social justice leaders in over 20 area congregations. We also work with our allies to ensure that social justice work has a bigger impact in the region. For 10 years we've provided regional leadership and congregational support for effective social change in the Balt-DC-NOVA region. We offer programs, networking, enews and grants of up to \$500 to encourage collaboration. We work to advance the Journey Toward Wholeness, GLBT equal rights and to save the planet. We believe that working for justice is an expression of our liberal religious faith.

Terrie Barr, Co-Chair

1. UUSJ advances the Social Justice work of UU congregations and organizations

Maintains a website with information and a calendar of events for UU and Interfaith social justice activities in the region.

Publishes a bi-monthly e-newsletter that highlights social justice programs of member congregations and interfaith social justice activities, and provides links to other social justice websites.

Procured a grant to hire a part-time person to facilitate Virginia UU congregations' efforts to defeat a proposed constitutional amendment defining marriage as between a man and a woman.

Recognizes UU social activists with the annual regional social justice awards at the UUSJ Awards Benefit Gala benefiting the UUSJ Collaboration Fund.

Holds workshops to develop social justice leaders and to showcase model programs and share best practices.

Offers workshops annually at the Joseph Priestley District annual meeting.

Used our share of money from a Baltimore Washington UU Growth event to fund scholarships for youth to participate in social justice events and for Beacon House. 2008

Held an environmentally themed program encouraging and promoting activism March 2010

Will hold a LGBTQ rights themed workshop May 2010

2. UUSJ increases the frequency, impact and visibility of UU collaborative efforts in the region.

The UUSJ Collaboration Fund awarded 2009 grants for the Ethical Investing Conference, Interfaith Youth Core Training, Goodloe Celebration for scholarships at Bowie State University and A Dialog on Race and Ethnicity (ADORE) speaker

UU Legislative Ministry of MD grew out of a UUSJ meeting.

The Environmental Task Force has exhibited annually since 2005 at the DC Green Festival.

Cosponsored the Ethical Investing Conference. National UU leaders and socially responsible investment pros explored aligning congregations' financial management practices with UU social and environmental justice principles enhancing congregation's financial standing and justice ministries. May 2009

Co-sponsored a program with A Dialog on Race and Ethnicity ADORE including a workshop on the Public Church November 2009

Supported the Maryland interfaith Legislative Committee (MILC) and the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy (VICPP)

