UUSJ Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice

Advocating for UU Values in the Nation's Capital

Donor Summary for a Defining National Moment

The Moment

The U.S. is in a democratic crisis. Voting rights are under attack. Political violence is increasingly normalized. Marginalized communities face escalating harm. These are not distant risks; they are shaping federal policy and institutions right now.

Moments like this demand moral courage. They demand organized, visible, faith-rooted leadership and spiritual discipline. They require boldness and creativity.

Unitarian Universalists (UUs) have long been advocates for democracy, human dignity, and justice grounded in love. Today, those values must be present and powerful in debates about national policy and federal institutions. Meeting the breadth of the challenge requires scaling up investment.

When you invest in UUSJ, you invest in advancing UU values in and through the work of our federal government by organizing congregations, mobilizing advocates, and speaking with moral clarity at moments of national consequence.

What Your Investment Makes Possible Right Now

- Accelerates our capacity to build a coordinated national UU advocacy network prepared to respond to federal threats to human and constitutional rights.
- Expands mission-critical staff and infrastructure needed to mobilize a ready, scalable base of UU advocates, increasing activation speed and national reach during pivotal moments.
- Strengthens a respected public voice for UU moral clarity in federal policy debates where values-based leadership can shape outcomes.
- Ensures UU participation in key national and federal policy coalitions.
- Enables the spiritually disciplined and sustained federal advocacy and national civic engagement that successful movements for justice require.

See reverse side for a summary of our strategic priorities.

UUSJ Foundations

Vision
A just, compassionate, and sustainable world community.

Mission
Advance equitable national policies and actions aligned with UU values, through engagement, education, and advocacy.

Moral Owners
UUs, UU congregations, impacted communities, and organizations representing those communities.

Values
- We are effective and responsive.
- We are faithful to our UU Principles.
- We respect others.

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Summary of UUSJ Strategic Priorities: 2026–2028

1. Build Infrastructure for National Impact

UUSJ is ready to grow—and donor partnership is the catalyst.
Your investment fuels:

- Updates to governance and decision-making that reflect current needs and realities
- Aligned board, staff, and volunteer structures
- Expanded staffing for congregational engagement, rapid response, and policy leadership
- Strong administrative and communications systems that build trust and visibility

Impact: A nimble, credible organization ready to activate when our country needs us most.

2. Expand and Mobilize the UU Justice Ecosystem

In a fractured civic landscape, connection is power. UUSJ is building relationships that transform shared values into coordinated national action.
Your investment enables:

- Deep clergy engagement, including exploration of a Minister Advisory Council
- Collaboration across congregations, State Action Networks, and emerging leaders
- Stronger partnerships with frontline communities and aligned national organizations
- A major organizing presence at General Assembly 2027

Impact: A coordinated national UU movement prepared to exercise collective power through action.

3. Lead with Moral Courage in Federal Policy

This moment requires bold, principled voices willing to speak clearly and act decisively.
Your investment strengthens:

- A transparent, credible process for taking public positions
- Effective communications that articulate UU values and root our actions in our specific
- faith commitments
- Deep engagement with racial justice leaders and impacted communities
- Elevating a vision for a more just and loving society that connects lived experience with national policy and governance.

Impact: UU values inform decisions when they are made—not after harm occurs.