

UCWC Social Justice Committee

Mission:

The Social Justice Committee leads, coordinates, and encourages the efforts of the UCWC community to bring about our vision of a more just, sustainable, and peaceful society and to have an impact on the needs of disadvantaged people, at local, state, national, and international levels by coordinating, supporting, and nurturing subcommittees, groups, and projects, and by developing leadership skills.

The Social Justice Committee provides the leadership that makes possible congregational action to embrace diversity and promote peace and justice in the world. This work offers opportunities for personal growth, generosity, education, service, witness, and advocacy.

Social justice work is not confined to the Social Justice Committee. Religious Education, Youth Group, and other groups often have social justice projects.



For more details about our committee's projects and project leaders, visit our website at:
<http://ucwc.org/justice/>
Email us at: social-justice@ucwc.org

UCWC Mission Statement

*Our mission is to:
GROW in spirit, heart and mind
LOVE through care and community
SERVE beyond ourselves*

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Social Justice at the Unitarian Congregation of West Chester



*I don't know what your
destiny will be, but one thing
I know: the only ones among
you who will be really happy
are those who have sought
and found how to serve.*

– Albert Schweitzer.

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www.ucwc.org/social-justice
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Criminal Justice Reform

Focuses on incarceration and post-incarceration related issues, including Pennsylvania's abusive use of solitary confinement.

✉ criminal-justice@ucwc.org

Democracy Group

Fights for UU values in government, especially respect for the inherent worth and dignity of every human being, by sharing information and showing up together at public events.

✉ democracy@ucwc.org

Diversity Book Discussion Group

Explores a variety of "differences" through both literature and film.

✉ diversity-book-group@ucwc.org

LGBT Issues

UCWC is a UUA Welcoming Congregation. We helped found and sponsored the local PFLAG group.

✉ LGBT@ucwc.org

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

UCWC partners with St. Paul's Baptist Church and other faith communities in acts of public service on MLK Day.

✉ mlk@ucwc.org

Racial Justice Ministry

Explicitly and publicly affirms the UCWC commitment to racial justice and the alleviation of racial inequities.

✉ racial-justice@ucwc.org

Refugee Resettlement

We participate in the West Chester Area Refugee Resettlement Project.

✉ refugee-resettlement@ucwc.org

Safe Harbor Dinners Project

Provides support to the residents and staff of Safe Harbor Shelter in West Chester with four teams: Food Donations, Grocery Cards, Baking, and Serving.

✉ safe-harbor@ucwc.org

Share the Plate Program

Once a month, the collection plate is shared with local agencies working to improve life for Chester County residents.

✉ share-the-plate@ucwc.org

Social Action Trust Fund

Grants are awarded annually to social action projects originating in West Chester.

✉ income-treasurer@ucwc.org (to donate)

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)

UUSC members and its partners make a difference around the world. Learn more about UUSC and the new Resistance Network at UUSC.org.

✉ uusc@ucwc.org

UU the Vote

Mobilizes UUs to participate in registration and get-out-the-vote drives.

✉ UUtheVote@ucwc.org

UUJusticePA

UUJusticePA is the statewide organization that connects UUs across Pennsylvania to work together on social justice causes.

✉ UUJusticePA@ucwc.org

West Chester Food Cupboard Project

Collects funds for the West Chester Food Cupboard.

✉ food-cupboard@ucwc.org

West Chester University Resource Pantry Project

Volunteers transport weekly food deliveries from the West Chester Food Cupboard to the pantry.

✉ wcu-pantry@ucwc.org

Ad Hoc Projects

UCWC sometimes holds, or participates in, timely events, responds to local agencies' calls for help, or collaborates with local social justice organizations.

✉ social-justice@ucwc.org

Social Justice Email List

Subscribers receive timely information updates from the Social Justice Committee.

✉ office@ucwc.org (for requests to subscribe)

Climate Justice Email Discussion List

Subscribers share and discuss timely information related to climate change issue advocacy.

✉ climate-justice@lists.ucwc.org

✉ office@ucwc.org (for requests to subscribe)

Democracy Email List

Democracy Group members share information.

✉ democracy@ucwc.org (send suggested posts)

✉ office@ucwc.org (for requests to subscribe)

