

**Social Justice Council
Annual Report 2020-2021
Submitted by Sally Preston, Chair**

Mission and Core Values

As the administrative umbrella for all social justice groups and projects at UUAA, the SJC's mission is to:

- Coordinate, nurture, and support the congregation's efforts to advocate, educate, organize, serve, and witness for social action.
- Develop and maintain policies and procedures for UUAA's social justice groups.
- Review and provide oversight for the initiatives and actions of the congregation's social justice programs and projects.

SJC's work supports UUAA's Core Values of Social Justice, Environmental Action, and Community through ministries that promote:

- Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations
- Respect for the independent web of all existence

Members

Sally Preston, Connie McGuire, David Kohn, Mary Ann Hergenrother, Susie Thompson, Jeannine LaPrad and QuianaDenae Perkins (Congregational Life Coordinator).

Selected Activities

- Hosted a SJ Zoom Roundtable on Covid-19 and Visioning in April 2020
- Worked with the 20/50 Vision Team to reimagine how the SJC fits within the 3 Priority Areas
- Approved over \$4,600 for social justice groups, most going to UUCivs to support their Get Out the Vote efforts
- Drafted and gained approval for an Honorarium policy
- Coordinated with the Worship Team to continue Social Justice Connections during online Sunday services. Carolyn Madden has continued this work after she retired from the council in May of 2020.
- Hosted a SJ Zoom Roundtable in January, focused on Realm, collaborating, and connecting to the 20/50 Vision.
- Hosting a Roundtable in April to focus on communication tools and needs.

Goals

We expect SJC will be re-structured as the 20/50 Vision work continues. At this time, we do not know what that will look like, but expect it to include representation on the council from the Board and from more members of social justice groups so that collaboration and intersectional work can more easily be identified and coordinated.