

2018/2019 Stewardship Campaign: Funding our Future

Dear Fellow UUFNer,

Our annual Stewardship Campaign helps us plan for the following year. Stewardship occurs in March, so we can create our budget before the spring congregation meeting. We must first know our projected income *before* we can plan our expenses. Can we add staff? Can we repair the building? Can we pave the parking lot? Before we can make these decisions, we need to know how much money we will have. Our Stewardship pledge payments generate about 80% of our income for the year.

You are responsible for *Funding Our Future*. So am I. We all are.

If you are reading this, you are somehow connected to UUFN. Maybe you attend weekly services. Maybe you bring your children to RE. Maybe you come to meditate, walk the labyrinth, or help at Code Purple. All UUFN Members have agreed to make a financial pledge to our Fellowship and honor that pledge. All UUFN Friends are encouraged to pledge.

How can you determine your financial commitment this year? Consider three components:

- the depth of your connection to UUFN
- your financial resources
- the importance of UUFN in your life

Is UUFN a place where you can be your true self? Think how you feel during a worship service, hearing your children describe their RE experience, receiving a caring card, sitting in the mediation room, sharing chili, attending a panel discussion, or witnessing a march of 1,000+ people. How valuable is that to you?

As I wrote this article, I realized that I have been under-pledging. I am deeply connected to UUFN, I have financial resources, and it is important to me that UUFN is active in the community. Therefore, I will be increasing my pledge this year. I hope you can join me.

Please pledge generously.

Thank you,

Carol Boncelet

Carol Boncelet, your Stewardship Campaign Chair

P.S. We are a Fellowship. Some years, we lean on others. Some years, others lean on us. Is this the year to increase your pledge?