

COMMUNITY PLATE

In July of 2014, we expanded our existing Share-the-Plate program from one Sunday collection and one recipient per month to collecting every single week. This change is a reflection of our intention to build deeper relationships with community organizations. Our Sunday offering is one of the chief ways that we fund the outreach that helps us realize our mission as a congregation. All money we receive from cash and designated checks is shared with recipients chosen by our Community Plate Committee because the committee finds that they provide service, advocacy, or direct action that reflects Unitarian Universalist principles and values. Members or friends of UUCA may nominate recipients to the Community Plate Committee by [submitting this form electronically](#) (which can be found on our website; Social Justice tab/Community Plate/form link near bottom of page).

The committee will give priority to nominees:

- that are non-profit organizations
- that provide direct support to people or communities in Western North Carolina
- where one or more members or friends of UUCA volunteer or are providing service
- that provide concrete and practical opportunities for UUCA members or friends to volunteer

If the organization does not fit these criteria, please state clearly why your nominee is an appropriate candidate for a Community Plate donation.

Organizations are not eligible to receive funds within two years of a previous donation.

| Revision History | |
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| February 2016 | Changed name to Community Plate (from Share-the-Plate) |
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