

Proposed Public Statement on Sanctuary

We, the First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego, hereby declare ourselves a Sanctuary Congregation, committing ourselves to living our values through offering support to those individuals who are targets of increasing anti-immigrant rhetoric and unjust government policies. We recognize that our Unitarian Universalist principles call us to affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person and to seek justice, equity, and compassion in human relations. As such, we commit to offering physical support in the form of a safe and welcoming living space and satisfaction of essential needs on the Hillcrest campus to an individual or family in need, who will be approved by church leadership with input from community partners and the sanctuary team.

We further acknowledge all of the many forms of actions that sanctuary encompasses and commit to continuing to work with and support community and interfaith partners to transform San Diego into a region that is more just, equitable, and compassionate as outlined in our strategic goals, regardless of whether or not our congregation hosts someone in physical sanctuary.