Generosity at First Church

Our Generosity Ministry Team works hard to assure that our congregation is well funded through a variety of activities and revenue sources including bequests, a book room, facility rentals, parking lot income, and fundraising events like Dining for Dollars Plus and our Rummage Sale. Additionally, each Sunday we express our generosity to the world at large, giving away 85% of our offerings to important non-profit organizations that share our values.

The money from pledges is used to support the mission and vision of First UU Church. Pledges directly support our operating budget, paying for the nuts and bolts of transformation: worship and music, children and adult religious education, our many social justice projects, and young adult and youth programming. Pledges pay the salaries of the ministers and staff and the operation and maintenance of our facilities. Pledges also help us contribute funds to support our membership in the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, the Pacific Southwest District and the San Diego Cluster of Churches.

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What is a pledge and how do I make one?

A pledge is a promise to donate a certain amount of money to the church within a 12 month period.

Our pledges are considered “continuous” - that is, once a pledge is made, that pledge will continue each year until we are told otherwise -- but everyone is given an opportunity to revisit the amount they pledge every 12 months.

Nearly 60% of our income is raised through individual giving. This makes pledging especially important so that we can create a budget and plan for the future.

Although pledges can be paid in any increment, you may find it helpful to think of your pledge in terms of a monthly amount of financial support.

When do I pledge and when do I pay my pledge?

Each church member and pledging friend has been assigned a month for making or renewing their annual pledge. When your month comes up, it is the time when you determine what your pledge amount will be for the following year. If you are not clear on what your “month” is, please contact the Director of Membership & Development at (619) 398-4436 or suzette@firstuusandiego.org

New members pledge as part of their membership process; and the month they join usually becomes their “pledge month.” Although you can pay your pledge in any timeframe that you wish, it is most supportive to arrange for your pledge to be paid on a monthly basis. Signing up for and using an automatic payment from your bank account is the easiest way to accomplish this. The church office can assist you with setting this up.

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