

Creating a New OUUC Group or Activity or Initiative

Please give this completed form to the Accountable Person leading the Ministry area you believe is the best home for your group/activity/initiative.

The appropriate Accountable Person will determine whether your group/activity/initiative fulfills needs of the congregation, is well connected to our congregation's Mission and Ends, and there are resources available to support it.

If this is so, then the group/activity/initiative will be approved.

Questions? Talk with the appropriate Accountable Person.

BASIC INFO

1. Name of Group/Activity/Initiative:
2. Ministry Area:
3. Contact Person:
 Phone:
 Email:
4. Please list five people working on this project:

5. Is this an Open Group or a Closed Group?
 If it is currently a Closed Group, when will it open to new participants?

6. Is this group/activity/initiative open to all ages?
 For example: is it designed for: all ages, adults only, teens, young adults, or children?

7. Do you have a regular meeting time/place? If so please list:

Description and Goals:

5. Describe in brief the group or project and its goals.

6. How does this project support OUUC's Mission and Ends:

7. What is the group or project's timeline? (Does it have an expected start and end date)?

8. Please describe the next immediate steps you plan to take toward your goals.

Support for the Project:

9. What, if any, funding would you anticipate requesting from the OUUC budget?

Funding decisions are made as part of the annual operating budget process of the church, and overseen by each Ministry's Accountable Person. Please provide a dollar amount and a brief explanation of the purpose.

10. Do you anticipate doing any fundraising (via donations) or generating any earned income (by selling products or services)? If so, please describe the activities, the amount of money you hope to raise, and how you would expect to use the funds. Fundraising efforts undertaken under the church's auspices must be approved by the appropriate Accountable Person.

11. Is there any other support that your group might want from the church? This might include non-financial support, such as meeting space, volunteer help for special events, time during worship, or staff time.

Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Mission / Ends/ Ministries

Mission Statement

We are a liberal religious community that opens minds, fills hearts and transforms lives.

Ends

The Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation is a liberal religious congregation where:

- We expand our knowledge, deepen our understanding, and strengthen and live our Unitarian Universalist identities.
- Our hearts are filled with experiences of wonder, awe, and connection to the spirit of life and love.
- People of all ages, identities, and circumstances are welcomed and connected in our loving community.
- The Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation responds to the needs of a changing congregation and world.
- Our lives and those of the larger community are meaningfully changed through our collaborative work for justice.
- We advocate for environmental justice and practice care for the Earth.

OUUC Ministry Areas:

Spiritual Life Ministry; Thomas Perchlik, Accountable Person, minister@ouuc.org

Provides for the spiritual life of the congregation and its members and friends of all ages and circumstances, opening them to wonder and awe; facilitating their connections to the spirit of life and love; transforming and equipping them to respond to the needs of the world.

Faith Development Ministry; Sara Lewis, Accountable Person, faithdevelopmentministry@ouuc.org

OUUC's Faith Development Ministry expands knowledge, deepens understanding and strengthens Unitarian Universalist identity in people of all ages and circumstances.

Community Life Ministry; Bonnie Guyer Graham, Accountable Person, communitylifeministry@ouuc.org

OUUC's Community Life Ministry attends to the health of the congregation as a living, growing body. It creates and maintains a congregational culture where all who step through the doors are welcomed, accepted, and encouraged in their spiritual journeys. It develops and provides multiple pathways to strengthen and deepen participants' connection and commitment to their own growth, to one another, to OUUC, to Unitarian Universalism, and to the wider world, equipping all for leadership through discernment and development of their gifts.

Faith in Action Ministry; Carol McKinley, Accountable Person, faithinactionministry@ouuc.org

OUUC's Faith in Action Ministry responds to the needs of our world through service, financial support, education, witness, and advocacy creating meaningful transformation in us and the world through collaborative work for justice, environmental justice and care for the earth.

Resource Ministry; Darlene Sarkela, Accountable Person, resourceministry@ouuc.org

OUUC's Resource Ministry enables and supports the Mission and Ends of OUUC by providing essential infrastructure and resource management functions, including overall church administration, facilities management, communications systems, and human relations.