

## A UUCM Pledge Drive Primer *for visitors and new friends*

- UU congregations are entirely self-funded. We conduct a pledge drive every year as part of the budgeting process.
- Pledging is one of the responsibilities of membership at UUCM. All members and long-time friends receive a pledge form in the mail in late January.
- A pledge is a statement of your intention to give a certain amount over the course of a year (our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30.) It can be paid monthly, weekly, quarterly - whatever works for you.
- We are grateful for every gift; there is no minimum requirement. We respect each person's decision in pledging an amount that fits their budget and reflects the role of UUCM in their life.
- Giving - whether by time, talent, or treasure - is an expression of love for our community. It is a means by which we convey and solidify our relationship and membership with UUCM.
- February 8 is Stewardship Sunday, dedicated to the pledge drive and celebrating our commitment to this UU congregation.
- If you're visiting or a newer friend, please come to this service, and stay for lunch! We're so happy to have you. If you haven't become a member, we don't expect you to pledge (but you can if you wish!)