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TWO WAYS YOU CAN MOVE SOCIAL JUSTICE FORWARD THIS SUMMER

ONE: Join us at a UUCA listening session. When the Arlington County Board chair and the mayor of Alexandria agreed in June to VOICE's agenda of committing new Amazon-linked tax revenue to community priorities like affordable housing, VOICE offered to help out by holding conversations with local residents, workers, and businesses to hear what they are most concerned about regarding Amazon's development. So VOICE is launching an effort in August to do just that. We call it ***Communities First***.

Here at UUCA, our first Community First Listening Session will take place **on Sunday, August 18**, just after the single service. A second listening session will take place on **Sunday, September 15**, after the second service. Please mark one of these dates on your calendar and join us for a vibrant discussion.

TWO: Share some vital info on license restoration. VOICE won a statewide victory this past spring when a new measure was passed to end the suspending of drivers' licenses for the nonpayment of court fees, a practice that has been punishing the poor for being poor. In Northern Virginia alone 39,000 people have lost their licenses this way. The DMV is now following up, reinstating licenses for people who contact them, but many, many people do not yet know they can apply to get their licenses restored, and the DMV's budget to publicize this is limited. So VOICE has is pitching in by asking all our member congregations—all of us—to freely share this [DMV Fact Sheet & Frequently Asked Questions on Ending License Suspensions](#) with everyone we know. Please be sure to share it, especially, with friends, neighbors, and colleagues who work directly with low-income residents.

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