

# **Process for Share-the-Plate Requests**

Since September 2017 the Social Justice Coordinating Committee has adopted a more formal process for Share-the-Plate requests. There is no shortage of worthy causes, and while we'd like to honor all requests, there are only twelve months in the year.

## **How to make a Share-the-Plate Request**

Share-the-Plate requests should be made to the Social Justice Coordinating Committee (current members are listed below) by completing the form on the next page. Priority is given to requests of Social Justice Teams or committees that have a long-term relationship with the organization they are recommending.

For example, the Ecumenical Food Pantry and the Coachman Family Center in White Plains regularly receive the November and December Share-the-Plate because several members of the Hunger & Homelessness Team have been working with these organizations for decades.

Similarly, the LGBTQIA team has requested a month for PrideWorks, an organization that this congregation has been supporting for over ten years. Other recipients have included Murray Grove Retreat, and Rowe and Unirondack camp scholarships, because these are Unitarian Universalism organizations that support our RE program.

**If a congregant wishes to suggest an organization, they must find a Social Justice Team or other committee that also wishes to support that organization. Other requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis, if there is an available slot and a connection to the mission of CUUC.** Requests are due by Monday, **May 24, 2021** for the 2021-22 congregational year.

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# Share-the-Plate Request Form

Deadline is Monday, **May 24, 2021** for the 2021-22 congregational year

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested Recipient Organization for Share-the-Plate

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What connection do members of CUUC have to the suggested Recipient? Include names of members and number of years they have been involved with the suggested Recipient.

Mission of the suggested Recipient Organization – if possible, include a link to their website.

How does the mission of the suggested Recipient Organization relate to the mission of CUUC<sup>1</sup> ?

Are you currently a member of CUUC? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Social Justice Team and/or other committee that is supporting this request for a Share-the-Plate for the suggested Organization:

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**If this form is filled out by someone other than the chair of the Social Justice Team or committee named above, this request must also include an email to the current Social Justice Coordinators stating their team's or committee's support of this request.**

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<sup>1</sup>The Mission of CUUC (adopted in Jan. 2014) is to “nurture each other in our spiritual journeys; foster compassion and understanding within and beyond our community; and engage in service to transform ourselves and our world.”