

Social Justice Events & Opportunities

as of Thu Mar 21, 2019

We Stand Together Rally

Fri Mar 22, 1:15 PM (Sermon & Prayer), 2:00 PM (Rally)

Islamic Cultural Center of NY-Stamford

1558 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT

Rally in support of Stamford's Muslim community and inter-religious understanding. All are invited to attend Friday Sermon and Prayer (men on main floor, women on second floor).

Rally will be held in the ICC parking lot. Organized by UU Congregation of Stamford, Interfaith Council of Southwestern CT, and Islamic Cultural Center of NY-Stamford.

Information at 203-570-6226.

Midnight Run

Fri Mar 22, 7:00 PM

First Unitarian Society, 25 Old Jackson Rd, Hastings-on-Hudson

Make a difference in the lives of those in need. Come help us prepare food, pack clothes, and distribute and interact with homeless people in NYC. You can also support us with donations of clothing and food. Contact: Contact Irene Jong (ijong@outlook.com).

“Transforming Hearts:

Understanding & Embracing Transgender Folks”

Sun Mar 24, 11:30 AM

UU Congregation of the Hudson Valley, Croton-on-Hudson

The first of a series of workshops that provide a safe space to explore our understanding, ask questions, and reflect on the roles each of us play in the lives of those different from us and their experiences within our community. Then we'll do the work, together, to enhance our own abilities to create a space that cultivates feelings of belonging for all people regardless of gender, race, sexual identity, traditions, etc. Led by Jack Bergman & Steph Hasiotis. Find details for Session One at [mailchi.mp/d913fedc6552/dont-miss-this-sundays-adult-re-session-1967781?e=\[UNIQID\]](https://mailchi.mp/d913fedc6552/dont-miss-this-sundays-adult-re-session-1967781?e=[UNIQID])

**2019 [Westchester Social Justice Forum](#)
Sunday, Mar 24, 12:00 PM - Registration; 1:30 PM - Opening
SUNY Purchase, Music Building, 735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase**

Join community organizations in Westchester for a social forum to exchange ideas and information, foster solidarity, and celebrate our work to create a more just and equal society.

The day will include workshops on organizing for social and ecological justice, and a culminating cultural celebration. Plan to arrive 12:00 – 12:30 PM for registration. Please bring a reusable water container to minimize waste. Learn more at westchestersocialforum.org.

View workshops at westchestersocialforum.org/workshops.

**MLK Institute [Beloved Community Dinner](#)
Mon Mar 25, 5:30 PM - Arrival, 6:00 PM - Welcome & Dinner
Memorial United Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Avenue, White Plains**

At our monthly Beloved Community Dinner we will share fellowship and great food with participants in Coming Home, the welcoming program for women very recently released from incarceration. Please RSVP to let us know what you're bringing. If you can't bring food, please plan to donate \$10. We look forward to seeing you on Monday!

connect@mlkwestchester.org, 914-949-6555

**NY Poor People's Campaign Westchester [Meeting](#)
Sun Mar 31, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Community UU Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave, White Plains**

[The Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival](#) is bringing together people across the country who are organizing to build a broad and deep national moral movement — led by the poor, impacted, clergy and moral agents and reflecting the great moral teachings — to unite our country from the bottom up. Continue Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's work confronting the interlocking evils of systemic racism, poverty, militarism, and ecological devastation. If this is your first meeting, come at 2:00pm for an introduction to the campaign.

The regular meeting will start at 2:30pm. We'll hear from attendees of the recent Poughkeepsie People's Hearing (facebook.com/events/2285466091735900) and discuss next steps in the Lower Hudson Valley. Contact: newyork@poorpeoplescampaign.org.

**"Muslims in America: The History of and the Resistance to Islamophobia"
Sun Mar 31, 3:00 PM
Ethical Culture Society, 7 Saxon Woods Rd, White Plains.**

Westchester Coalition Against Islamophobia (WCAI) invites you to a panel presentation including guest speakers Munira Ahmed "the Iconic Face of Resistance," and Dr. T. A. Bashir, VP of WCAI. Event is free and open to the public. Donations gratefully accepted.

WCAI is a grassroots association of concerned individuals, non-Muslim and Muslim, committed to opposing bigotry and discrimination against Islam and its faithful and to defending the civil rights of all. Contact: 914-261-0468, or wcai@socialjusticepartners.net.

**Urge NYS Representatives to Support the BYOBAG Act
Deadline is Apr 1**

The New York legislature is considering 3 proposals to ban single-use plastic bags. The BYOBAG Act is one that incorporates lessons learned by other municipalities tackling this issue. Riverkeeper.org is calling on us to contact our representatives and urge them to support the BYOBAG Act. Learn more and find a sample letter at

secure3.convio.net/river/site/Advocacy?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=570&_ga=2.184603232.877818937.1553032826-789102855.1533154940

**International Women's Convocation
Panel Discussion on Global Gender Equity
Sat Apr 13, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
Community Church, Worship Hall, 40 East 35 Street, NYC**

Panel including representatives from Romania, India, and the Phillipines highlight U*U women's work for global women's empowerment and the importance of engaging UUs from the U.S. in this important work. Funded in part by the Fund for Unitarian Universalism. Free for UU-UNO Seminar participants. \$20 for others at door.

**Petition: The Department of Justice must immediately drop all charges
against UU Volunteer and respect the right of volunteers to freely practice
their faith by caring for migrants on the border.**

The administration is pursuing felony criminal charges against Scott Warren, a volunteer with the "No More Deaths" ministry of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson, which provides water, food, socks, blankets, and emergency first-aid to migrants along the US-Mexico border. Learn more at theguardian.com/global/2018/jan/26/scott-warren-no-more-death-arrested-migrants-water). Find the petition at act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/scott_warren?referring_akid=.558144.6xwLrq&source=taf

