



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose of the Lincoln Unitarian Foundation Committee?

The Lincoln Unitarian Foundation (LUF) Committee has four main functions:

- Assist persons interested in providing financial support to the Unitarian Church of Lincoln (UCL) through planned giving.
- Manage the investment funds of the church which is currently invested in a socially responsible index fund.
- Support the principles and mission of the Unitarian Church of Lincoln, Nebraska and the region.
- Assists the Unitarian Church of Lincoln to raise the needed funds to improve and maintain its facilities and campus.

How long has the Foundation Committee been in existence?

The Foundation was founded in 1958 to help raise the necessary funds to establish the current church at 6300 A Street in Lincoln.

How is the Foundation Committee Integrated into the Unitarian Church of Lincoln?

The Foundation is a standing committee of the church. The Board of Trustees (BOT) of the church appoints the seven members of the Lincoln Unitarian Foundation Committee. Each member of the Foundation serves a three-year term and can serve up to two consecutive terms.

How are funds invested?

LUF funds are invested in a Vanguard Socially Responsible Index Fund. The Foundation also maintains a money market account through the Vanguard Fund. The Foundation also has the ability to work with the national Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) regarding planned giving donations to the congregation.

Why is a gift to LUF important?

As in the Unitarian Universalist search for truth and meaning, there are many pathways to generosity, many ways to strengthen hope and reason...many avenues in which to use our



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financial resources to bend the world closer to the principles of freedom, tolerance, justice, love and respect. Members of the Unitarian Church of Lincoln want to be effective trustees and stewards of our great heritage of religious liberalism and social concern. In order for future generations to inherit and enjoy this freethinking, equality for all people and environmentally friendly lifestyles, financial support is vital. Each of us can help in our own way.

Can the Lincoln Unitarian Foundation Committee assist me in making a planned gift to support progressive religion in Lincoln?

The LUF Committee and BOT have developed a number of tools that assist congregants in determining how they wish to make charitable planned gifts. These include a financial worksheet, information on how to make a will work for you and the BOT approved Gift Acceptance Policy. The LUF Committee can also work with Unitarian Universalist Association to be a philanthropic resource for you and your advisors, but it is not engaged in rendering legal, accounting or other professional services. If legal advice or other expertise is needed to review or advise you on your financial situation, please seek the services of a competent professional.

What are some of the common approach's congregants can give to the Lincoln Unitarian Foundation?

There are many ways to give to the Foundation. These include but are not limited to:

- Cash or property gifts
- Income producing gifts
- Bequests and revocable gifts
- Naming the UCL as a beneficiary on a life insurance policy
- Memorial gifts

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