

Interested in having an event, doing a presentation, or utilizing the UUCB's wonderful space for other social justice reasons? Need some help thinking about the particulars? Contact Neva Allen at [nevabythesea@gmail.com](mailto:nevabythesea@gmail.com) or Chris Wright at [chriswright2400@gmail.com](mailto:chriswright2400@gmail.com).

## SAC Activity Proposal Form

The goal of the Social Action Committee is to provide an opportunity for meaningful, spiritually grounded political action supported by our UU principles and informed by our sources. Our intention is to create a culture of fairness, open dialogue, education, and healthy conflict within our community. Our 7 principles should govern any activity sponsored by the UU Church of Belfast.

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

As a faith community, and in accordance with our 501c3 status as a religious organization the three basic rules for our political and social action according to the IRS are:

- No limit on advocacy and education activities. (activities that raise awareness on a given issue but don't encourage the public to support/oppose specific legislation)
- There is a narrow limit on lobbying. (advocating for or against a specific piece of legislation)
- **Total limit on partisan politics.** (anything that advocates for or against candidates or parties)

## Proposed Activity or Project

Among the activities covered by this form are: Information tables, petition collection tables, speakers, issues forums or debates, film showings, rallies/marches, etc.

Certain activities such as information or petition tables are restricted to members and friends of the UU Church of Belfast. After reviewing your proposal, the SAC will evaluate it in terms of the need to represent alternate points of view.

On the back of this sheet, please describe the proposed activity

It is the submitter's responsibility to read the Statement of SAC Policy accompanying this form.

I certify that I have read, understood, and will comply with the Statement of SAC Policy.

Submitter's Name:

Date:

Topic:

Title and purpose of the activity:

Who is sponsoring the activity? (church member(s), outside individual(s), or organization) Please provide specific names and contact information. If there is an outside sponsor, who is the church liaison?

If a speaker is involved, the speaker's name, affiliation, and expertise.

Where will the activity take place? If within the church, there is a room request and building use policy that will be provided if appropriate once your activity is approved.

Is this a recurring or one-time event?

What kind of support are you requesting from the church? (examples: space, publicity, public endorsement, financial contribution, etc.)

Will there be a cost to persons participating in or attending the activity?

When do you need to receive a response back from the SAC?