

## Vision for Greater Philly UU Cluster 2016-2017

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### Leadership Team:

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### Mission:

Share our message, Grow our faith, Strengthen congregations

### Goals:

- a) Further develop cohesion of the 14 Cluster congregations
- b) Support efforts in which the Cluster congregations may benefit more from working together than working alone:
  - advertise/spread the word of UUism
  - denominational affairs
  - education/training (provided by CERG)
  - social justice
- c) Create a couple of successes to build on

### Actions to achieve the goals:

#### Advertisement

1. Post congregations' events on the Cluster Google calendar
2. Send monthly emails to Cluster congregations with a paragraph for the Order of Service
  - Congregations can also put the paragraph in their newsletters, on website, etc.
3. Further develop information on the Cluster website
4. Encourage ministers to make pulpit announcements to support the Cluster's work
5. Consider Faithify project to support advertisements at SEPTA stations

#### Community Building

1. Revisit our Cluster Covenant
2. Request support of vision from Ministers and Board Presidents (in Fall)
3. Continue bimonthly Cluster Steering Committee meetings of representatives
4. Participate in a Pride Parade (New Hope in May)
5. Consider organizing a fun annual Cluster event in Fall 2017

#### Denominational Affairs

1. Encourage UUA General Assembly attendance (June)
2. Consider setting up a live streaming video session to watch part of General Assembly

#### Education/Training

1. Organize 2 trainings provided by CERG:
  - Social Justice/Advocacy (November)

- Leadership Development/Succession Planning (March)
- 2. Conduct needs assessment of Cluster congregations to identify 2 education/training workshops for CERG to conduct in 2017-2018
- 3. Encourage participation in UULI courses

### Social Justice

Support efforts of three key social justice issues to enhance congregations' projects and increase congregations' participation

1. Reproductive Justice(2012-2016 CSAI\*)
2. Black Lives Matter/Anti-Mass Incarceration(2014-2018 CSAI)
3. The Corruption of our Democracy (2016-2020 CSAI)

\*CSAI = Congregational Study/Action Issues

*We acknowledge that the above list does not address all of the ideas/needs that have been discussed at past Cluster meetings. Those ideas have been moved to a "parking lot" to be considered in the future, once we build momentum and member participation.*