

All Souls Unitarian Church
Plate Offering Suggestion Form

Generosity Committee members research candidates through information provided on the suggestion form. Recommendations are provided to our Ministerial Staff, who make the final decision of what organizations will receive Sunday offerings. Please review the information on the back of this sheet for additional guidance.

To make a suggestion for the Sunday offering, complete the following information:

Organization/ agency: _____

Address: _____ City _____ St _____ ZIP _____

Phone Number: _____

Contact person: _____ Title: _____

Primary purpose of the organization and Mission Statement if known (attached information as needed): _____

Who is served?: _____

How many are served?: _____

What is this organization's annual budget?: \$ _____

When is the organization's annual fundraiser?: _____

Currently, is there a specific need or project for which this money would be used? (attach additional information as needed) _____

This organization/agency has Board approved policies / procedures that prohibit discrimination based on:

Race; ___ Color; ___ Sex; ___ Religion; ___ National Origin; ___ Age; ___ Sexual orientation; ___

Individuals with disabilities; ___ Genetic information; ___ Political affiliation; ___

Date Submitted _____ **Name:** _____

E-mail Address: _____

How are you involved with this organization? _____

What is your affiliation with All Souls? _____

All Souls Generosity Committee considers many factors in the recommendations to the Ministerial Staff, including how the organization relates to current events, and those supporting work or issues important to our congregation. The Committee receives many suggestions, so please understand that not all organizations suggested for an offering will receive one.

The Committee is made up of members of All Souls Church who volunteer their time; therefore the committee does not provide written response to suggestions.

Thank you.

ASUC Generosity Committee

Please complete this form and place in the Generosity Mail Box in the All Souls' office.

All Souls Generosity Committee

Vision: To change lives for the better through the generosity of the Church.

Mission: Encourage and guide intelligent giving to support positive change in the greater Tulsa community.

All Souls members voted to "Model generosity, abundance and possibility," in 2004 through giving our non-pledge designated Sunday and Wednesday collections to agencies or programs supporting efforts or issues important to the congregation. Since the first collection in January of 2005, members of All Souls Unitarian Church have given nearly \$,1,000,000. to outreach and programs in the community.

The Generosity Committee continues to refined the process for identifying outreach possibilities that address the congregation's priorities, as well as considering direct requests submitted to the Committee.

Committee recommendations are forwarded to the Ministerial Staff who make the final decisions and may reject or delay suggestions.

Selection of potential recipients by the All Souls Unitarian Church Generosity Committee

The following factors are used in review of all suggestions for designation of an offering:

- Addresses issues identified by the congregation as important
 - Daily needs - Human rights/ equality - Health -Arts
 - Education - Environmental/ animals - Disaster relief
 - Individual and family development - Community development
 - Spiritually - Safety (i.e., domestic violence, abuse & neglect of children and adults)
- Empowers the people they serve and provides services with dignity
- Is governed and provided locally with a representative board of directors to assure accountability
- Have a track-record and a known history
- Embraces All Soul's vision and mission
- Provides All Souls member's volunteer opportunities
- Provides legitimate services to the public

The committee also considers:

- The Federal 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization status
- The organization's connection to the Tulsa Area United Way or some other vetting affiliation
- Involvement of All Souls Unitarian Church members with the organization

In addition, the Committee tries to time recommendations based on an organization whose focus/ services exemplify with the:

- Lectionary theme of the month
- Holidays celebrated by All Souls Unitarian Church

Organizations are researched before being considered for designation of an offering through:

- Information provided on the "Plate Offering Suggestion Form" and the organization's website;
- Community Service Council 2-1-1 Helpline data base; <http://www.211oklahomahelpline.org/> Guidestar <http://www.guidestar.org/> and Charity Navigator <http://www.charitynavigator.org/index.cfm/>