

2019-2020 Stewardship Committee & Our Living Legacy Annual Report

The 2020-2021 Pledge Drive began on Sunday, February 23, 2020. Pledge Packages were given to all in attendance during this and the following Sunday. The remaining Pledge Packages were mailed the following week. Approximately 25% of the expected pledges had been submitted by our last Sunday gathering on March 8, 2020.

The Pledge Drive was suspended for two weeks in the beginning of April while we reassessed the impact of the Coronavirus on congregational members. The Pledge Drive was resumed with the understanding that those who are able are encouraged to send in a pledge card, others may delay their pledges or decide they are not able to pledge while their personal circumstances remain uncertain. We expect to keep the Pledge Drive open through the summer and will conclude the drive-in coordination with our Annual Meeting in September, 2020.

As of May 22, 2020 for 2020-2021 here is the status of this year's campaign. Pledge Cards have been received from 58 donors, 60% of our expected 96 donors. Booked Pledges total \$141,000, 77% of our projected target of \$183,000.

The Our Living Legacy (OLLy) Capital Campaign has continued to receive donations. OLLy Pledge Cards were given to those who may not have been at UUCSC during last year's campaign. To date the fund has received over \$210,000. In 2019 we paid down \$100,000 of our \$350,000 mortgage, reducing expenses by over \$9,000 each year going forward. The Board of Directors is planning to pay off an additional \$60,000 this year reducing our annual expenses by an additional \$5000 every year. The balance will remain in reserve during this uncertain time.

Whether you have returned a pledge card, are waiting to see what happens in your personal life, or are not able to do so this year, I am extending a heartfelt thank you to all those in our congregation for their support for this year's pledge drive. I am grounded in the fact that our beloved Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County will continue to be a Beacon of Hope for our community, state and world.

Sincere Regards, Your Stewardship Committee
Dave Ruede (Chairperson), Dennis Bowman, Sky Kimball