

What is the Annual Pledge Campaign?

The Annual Giving Campaign is the main source of revenue for the “FirstU” congregation.

This year’s campaign, held through October and November 2019 will secure financial support for FirstU throughout 2020, for all its resources and programs.



Rev. Pat Haresch and Kylan

Why do we give?

The FirstU community shows its generosity in many ways: with our time, with our compassion, with our ideas, and with our spirit. We also need to follow through with financial generosity. Proper funding allows FirstU to achieve its many aspirations: liberal religious exploration, social justice and building community.

When and how should I give?

Giving regularly

For your own budgeting, you may prefer regular monthly donations. We encourage this; it helps with FirstU’s budget too!

You can donate via Pre-Authorized Chequing (PAC), or by Credit Card. Contact Michelle Jackson to set up a payment plan that suits your needs. Alternatively, you can provide monthly post-dated cheques.

Of course, you can also donate regularly by plate offerings. Please identify these as part of your 2020 Pledge using one of the envelopes provided in the pews and printing your name on it.

Giving by one-time gift

You may prefer giving by an annual one-time cheque. We require donations for the 2020 Annual Pledge Campaign to be post-dated for 2020, Note that all donations are receipted in the year in which they are received. Of course we encourage donations at any time.

You can also donate publicly-traded shares. Our finance manager Michelle Jackson has special forms to accomplish this in a tax-efficient manner.



How much should I give?

Living our generosity

How much to give very much depends on your personal situation. If you would like some guidance please contact stewardship@firstunitarianottawa.ca

Remember what you get back

Charitable donations result in a tax credit when filing your income taxes. Sample credits for 2017 taxable \$40K income in Ontario are shown below.

CRA Charitable donations Calculator

Monthly	Annually	Tax credit
\$50	\$600	+\$200.74
\$100	\$1200	+\$441.74
\$200	\$2400	+\$923.62
\$300	\$3600	+\$1405.54

Consider increasing your PAC

If you are already donating by PAC, we thank you for your steadfast commitment. This campaign is an ideal time to consider increasing your monthly donation for the start of 2020.

“YES, you can count on me in 2020!”

I pledge to support the operations and mission of FirstU with \$ _____ per month, or a total of \$ _____ during 2020.

This is more than last year. *(Thank you!)*

I will give in **2020** by:

- Pre-Authorized Chequing (PAC)*
- One-time or preset Monthly Credit Card payment*
- A series of post-dated cheques
- Sunday offerings in donation envelopes **marked with my name**
- An individual cheque payable to **First Unitarian Congregation of Ottawa**
- Donation of publicly traded securities

Name _____

Telephone _____
_____ Address

Email _____

Signature* _____

Please drop this form into the “Growing our Generosity” box at the back of Worship Hall on Sundays, or submit it to the office.

You can create or change your PAC or Credit Card payment frequency details at any time by contacting **Michelle Jackson in the office. **Written Notification to stop is required.***

Date:

Env #

Pledge #

Status:

“Support for our Congregation fosters a community where we find inner peace.”

– E. B., FirstU Member

Who should give?

All of us who benefit from the FirstU community, we are all stewards. Members commit to providing ongoing financial support to the Congregation’s operations, and many others give too.

If you are part of the FirstU community, but not yet a member, please seek more information from the Membership and Welcoming team to find out more.

Contact Us

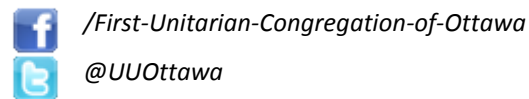
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