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Hello, UUCB members and friends.

The UUCB Endowment Committee invites you to become a member of The Susquehanna Society. Your membership will help secure the future of our congregation and leave a legacy for the future of Unitarian Universalism in our community.

The Susquehanna Society was formed as a way to recognize people who contribute to the congregation's Endowment or who express a formal intent to do so. A plaque honoring members is located in the main hallway of UUCB. Please review the enclosed brochure and consider making this timeless commitment to our congregation and the liberal religious tradition upon which it is based.

The Endowment Committee of UUCB is charged with the stewardship of the congregation's Endowment. It is our responsibility to raise, administer and disburse funds. Our Endowment is invested in the Unitarian Universalist Common Endowment Fund (UUCEF), which ensures that our investments are in line with our values. The Endowment supports the long-term stability of our congregation and assists community projects and organizations that are consistent with our mission and principles.

Each year a portion of the Endowment's growth and income is used to provide grants suggested by the congregation. Last year nearly \$8500 was awarded through ten different grants supporting church improvements, UUCB and community groups such as the Rainbow Alliance and the Family Planning of Central New York, and congregational leadership development.

This year we plan to award \$9000 in grants and applications are currently being accepted. Proposed projects should address *community outreach, education, capital improvements or other charitable purposes*.

You can contact the Endowment Committee via the church office or by emailing [endowment@uubinghamton.org](mailto:endowment@uubinghamton.org)

In faith,

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