

2009 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Jackson Social Welfare Fund Committee

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor
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The Jackson Social Welfare Fund of the First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor provides funding for "... advancing the understanding and acceptance of the great principles of the First Amendment ... and for the promotion of the use of reason and understanding in ... solving in a peaceful manner domestic and international difficulties and conflicts." The First Amendment reads:

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

The Jackson Social Welfare Fund Committee will consider the funding of proposals which satisfy either of the above criteria. In addition, the Committee is interested in whether a proposal has potential for long-term impact, such as providing a publication or curriculum guide or leadership training. The Committee is also interested in whether the proposal has potential to enhance the understanding or involvement of youth regarding First Amendment issues or issues of conflict resolution as outlined above.

The Committee expects to allocate \$24,750 in 2009. Last year, grants of varying amounts were given to local, regional, and national organizations.

A written proposal is required for organizations to be considered for funding. The proposal should be about two pages in length and include a description of the specific project, the projected time line and anticipated outcomes, the projected budget, and a description of how the project relates to the mission of the Jackson Social Welfare Fund which is stated above.

If your organization received funding in 2008, please include with your 2009 proposal a brief (one page or less) report of how the 2008 grant was used.

Questions may be addressed to Joseph G. Walls, Chair, Jackson Social Welfare Committee, jgwalls@umich.edu.

We strongly encourage you to **email** your proposal to the Chair of the Committee: Joseph G. Walls, jgwalls@umich.edu.

If you wish, you may mail your proposal to:
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Proposals should be received no later than 5:00 PM on August 7, 2009.

You will be notified in early September and checks will be mailed out as soon as possible thereafter.