

Social Justice Action

"There are some things in our society, some things in our world, to which we should never be adjusted." MLK Jr

If you have something YOU are passionate about, please tell us so we can spread the word.

UUCSW Service Project

Social Justice FAMILY Event – Please mark your calendar.

When – Sunday April 7, 12:00 – 12:30 PM

Where – In our very own church kitchen.

Great turnout this last month. Thanks to Stop and Shop for donations of apples.

What – Pack meals. We will be packing meals for people in a homeless shelter in Worcester. *There will be jobs for all ages.* We deliver 100 meals on Sunday and they are handed out the next two days. The shelter does NOT provide lunches so this is a big help for people.

Social Justice Opportunity

UU Mass Action Supports Immigrants

José is seeking asylum in the US for both himself and his young son. Without any notice or a transition plan, José and his young son, who was ill at the time, were taken by ICE to the Phoenix bus station and abandoned. José had no money, they had not eaten in days, they had no water and he does not speak any English.

Fortunately, someone let José use their phone and he called his brother who is here in Massachusetts. José's brother then told his contact in our network about what was happening. A network member called UU Mass Action and in 15 minutes we connected with the State Action Network (SAN) in Arizona. The Arizona SAN connected us with their partner, [Somos America](#), that organizes volunteers to provide food and clothing to the countless people who are abandoned at the Phoenix bus station, like José and his son.

Within an hour, José and his son were with a kind volunteer who brought them food and water and gave them a ride to the airport. Thanks to the support fund managed by the

accompaniment network, we were able to arrange for plane tickets and José and his brother were reunited in Massachusetts in less than 24 hours after he was released from detention. It felt like a UU miracle!

José was able to experience some love and support on this part of his journey, but there are countless others for whom their story does not end this way. We must continue to strengthen our networks, grow our resistance and never stop living our values.

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The first step in Social Action is knowing what's going on. Go to www.uumassaction.org and subscribe to their weekly newsletter.

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Immigrant Justice Accompaniment Training

When: Sat March 9, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM,

Where: First Parish in Waltham, UU, Chapel, 50 Church St.

Waltham **More info here** → <http://tinyurl.com/y2eq43r5>

Values

What is it about someone's personal beliefs and values, especially those elicited by our UU faith, that lead them to care about social justice? I asked Laura Wagner to pose the question in her UU Mass Action Newsletter. For the next few weeks I will publish responses that she received.

Compassion towards all living things, the love of democracy, the burning desire for fairness for every human being no matter who or where they are, and the belief that world peace is achievable. Jacquelynnne

Jerry Breecher is the editor of this Social Justice Action sheet. I welcome any and all notices you would like to place here. Inherent in any such listing as this is a point of view – your point of view may differ from mine, but I would be truly delighted to express your social action agenda here. Jerry@Breecher.com