

BULL RUN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

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Dear Members and Friends,

As President of the BRUU Board, I invite you to join in *Forging Our Future* by submitting your annual pledge of financial support for BRUU.

Each Sunday, BRUU opens its doors to provide a spiritual haven for our members, friends and visitors. Every service is the result of much time and talent contributed by our wonderful Worship Committee collaborating with BRUU staff (DLRE, Music Director, Office Administrator, and Sexton) and hard-working member-volunteers. Together they prepare services to share insights and thought-provoking speakers so that each of us may be spiritually nourished.

Each day, week, and month, with support from an amazing staff, lay leaders on the BRUU Board, Committees and Teams make sure that our classes, programs, and activities offer the best experiences and learning possible, and that congregants and visitors are welcomed to each with an open heart and mind.

If you're a member, I hope you recall when you first joined, that you made a pledge to provide time, talent, and treasure to BRUU. Each year, the Board approves an Aspirational Budget for the Canvass Campaign. It serves as a guide to determine a pledge that will get us to our dreams for BRUU. If we want to expand BRUU's impact, now is the time for us to DREAM BIG.

We have put together various vision statements but those visions are only as good as the support that they receive during Stewardship's call for pledges. What is it that you want for the future of BRUU? This is what each of us should consider as we talk with family about this year's pledge.

We should remember that the fulfillment of our dreams depends on our willingness to invest in BRUU's fellowship and services. That is why this year I'm asking every single congregant to make a heartfelt contribution. When each of us gives with the true spirit of generosity, I believe we can support our dreams for our beloved community; that we can make real change in the things that matter most to us. That we can truly forge our future.

The Board has already committed to submitting their pledges prior to the Canvass Kick-Off. Please take the time to talk with one of our canvassers about what your pledge can accomplish for BRUU, and then join us in this commitment to turning our stewardship of UU values into action.

We stand together for BRUU,

Angie Carrera, President BRUU Board of Directors