### 2020 GENERAL ASSEMBLY YOUTH GROUP GRANTS

June 24-28 – Providence, RI

In the past few years, youth attendance at General Assembly (the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association) has surged. This is in large part due to youth groups who organized to raise funds and attend as a group, making their shared participation all the more meaningful.

The Unitarian Universalist Association's Office of Lifespan Faith Engagement is offering competitive grants for up to \$1,000 to encourage youth groups to organize to attend GA together. To qualify, groups must have generally five or more participants from the same congregation or a majority of their youth group participating. Applications will be judged by the group's demonstrated ability to raise the additional funds necessary to attend GA, and the ways the group will use their GA experience to enhance their congregation or community life.

Youth in groups who are applying for these grants may still apply for individual financial aid awards under the Youth and Young Adult Scholarship and General Assembly Planning Committee Matching Grants programs. We ask that groups indicate on their Youth Group Grant application the youth (or young adults) who are also applying for these individual awards.

Grant applications received by **March 31, 2020** will be given priority.

#### Please submit the following to be considered:

- 1. Completed attached application form (page 2).
- 2. Short responses to the following questions:
  - a. Why did your youth group decide to go to GA?
  - b. How will you use the GA experience to enhance your congregation and community?
- 3. Estimated budget (page 3) that includes both income and expenses.

### Send completed, signed application and attachments in one of the following ways:

Email: Fax: Mail: gayouthforms@uua.org 617.948.6473 UUA

Office of Lifespan Faith Engagement

24 Farnsworth Street Boston, MA 02110-1409

Questions? Don't hesitate to contact us at gayouthforms@uua.org or 617-948-4350.



# 2020 GENERAL ASSEMBLY YOUTH GROUP GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Congregation:	
Congregation Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Federal ID #:	

ADULT CONTACT* (Adult advisors must be age 25 or older)	YOUTH PARTICIPANTS (Attach additional sheets if necessary)
Name:	1.
Email:	2.
Phone:	3.
Date of Birth:	4.
Role with Congregation:	5.
	6.
TREASURER of Congregation	7.
Name:	8.
Phone:	9.
Email:	10.
SIGNATURES	
Adult Contact:	Date:
Treasurer:	Date:

DON'T FORGET TO INCLUDE YOUR QUESTION RESPONSES AND TRIP BUDGET!

OFFICE USE ONLY:			
Date Received:	APF Honor Cong:	Approved /	
Date Notice Sent:	Date Check Sent:	Declined	





## **2020 General Assembly Youth Attendance Expense Worksheet**

This worksheet is provided to assist in your planning. It is not a guarantee of General Assembly costs. Visit <a href="https://www.uua.org/ga">www.uua.org/ga</a> for latest information.

<b>EXPENSE</b> (all costs subject to change)	For Indiv.	For Group
Youth Registration For grades 9-12 (or equiv.) for the 2019-2020 school year: \$250 before March 15; \$300 before April 30; \$350 after May 1st.		
[Child Registration: FREE for 8th grade or under (those who have not yet entered high school must use Child Registration and attend GA with parent)]		
Adult Registration \$400 before March 15; \$500 before April 30; \$525 after May 1st.		
For those adults who are:  - Ministerial candidates/aspirants, retired ministers;  - Surviving spouses of ministers or spouses of retired ministers;  \$250 before March 15; \$300 before April 30; \$350 after May 1st.		
Housing		
Cost will depend on the options you utilize. Some estimates of rates are below. Please note that sponsors must stay in the same lodging (i.e.: same hotel, same dorm building, same homestay location) unless the youth is staying with a parent/legal guardian.		
GA hotels: \$189-209/day before taxes (single accommodation)  Dorm housing: 5-day packages \$95-125/day before taxes (within 10-min walk of convention center)  Homestays: Started at \$40-85/night in 2019; see <a href="https://www.uua.org/ga/travel">www.uua.org/ga/travel</a> for contact information to get rates/availability.		
Transportation		
Probably the most variable expense, depending on your mode.  If you live near one of the public transportation options, you could consider staying at home and taking public transportation in on the days you plan to attend.		
Car: Use a mapping service (Google Maps, etc.) to figure out your mileage to estimate gas costs. Also ask your potential lodging about parking costs, which can hit upwards of \$25/day at some hotels. More info about parking near the Convention Center at www.uua.org/ga/travel/parking. (Note that 15-passenger vans often do not fit in garages and may pose difficulty).		
Train: Providence is served by Amtrak through the Providence Amtrak Station. The station is about a 10-minute walk or 8-minute drive to the Convention Center. Cost will vary based on point of origin. The commuter rail ( <a href="https://www.mbta.com">www.mbta.com</a> ) also uses the Amtrak station to travel between the Greater Boston area and Providence, RI.		
Bus: The Providence Greyhound bus terminal at 99 West Exchange Street is about a 3-minute walk to the Convention Center. Cost will vary based on point of origin.		
Plane: Providence is served by T.F. Green Airport (PVD – www.pvdairport.com). Fares vary greatly depending on departure city. Check fares now and, if possible, what they have been recently (farecast.com is a good resource). This should give you a good idea of what you may need to budget.		
Public Transportation: Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA – www.ripta.com) operates busses around the greater Providence area. Rates are \$2.00/trip, \$6.00 for a day pass. Check the website for maps, schedules, and fares.		
Food		
Again, quite a variable expense, depending on the type of dining done. \$30/day per person is generally a safe minimum. This can be reduced if, for example, you communally buy breakfast foods instead of eating breakfast out every day.		
Other Will you need transportation from the airport? Cab fare? Do you want group shirts? Spending money for gifts/resources in the Exhibit Hall? Budget a little cushion in, just in case.		
TOTALS		