

What Is Chalice Lighters?

Chalice Lighters is a program created to help fund the growth of the member congregations of the Pacific Southwest. The Chalice Lighters Program is designed to provide grants to congregations for:

- *Facility improvements, such as buying land, rebuilding, furnishing or enlarging facilities.
- *One-time professional leadership expenses, such as the costs of hiring a Minister, Religious Educator or Music Director.

These are improvements that would significantly strengthen the scope of a congregation's ministry.

How can I help?

The funds for these grants come from UUs like you — subscribers who pledge to pay \$20 or more towards Chalice Lighter calls.

Sign up to be a Chalice Lighter today! You can sign up online. Just visit pswduua.org > About Us > Programs and Resources > Chalice Lighters. Click on the link **Become a PSWD Chalice Lighter** and submit the sign-up form. You'll be added to the list of people who receive each Chalice Lighter call!

Your \$20 could help a congregation hire its first minister, or build its own worship space, or renovate old, cramped, tired facilities —it might even help your own congregation!

Who is eligible for grants?

Congregations that meet these requirements:

- *A member congregation of the Pacific Southwest District of the UUA
- stAn honor congregation that contributed to the UUA and PSWD for the previous fiscal year.
- *A congregation in which 20% of the members are active Chalice Lighters. An active Chalice Lighter is someone who has contributed to at least one call in the past two years.

How does my congregation apply to receive a grant?

Blank applications can be found on the Chalice Lighters page on the PSWD website. Once you've finished filling it out, save or scan it into PDF format and submit it to:

pswdchalicelighters@pwruua.org

Your application and any supplementary materials will be sent to the board for review. One call per year can go toward justice activities. If you have a justice project in mind, we'd love to hear about it. There is no grant application period; applications are received on a rolling basis.