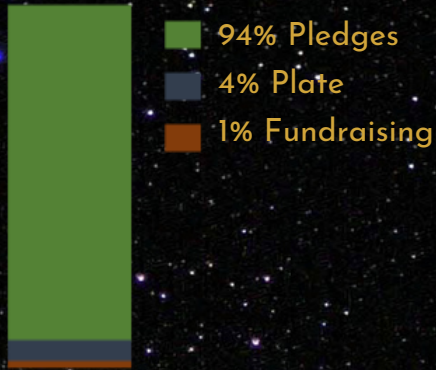
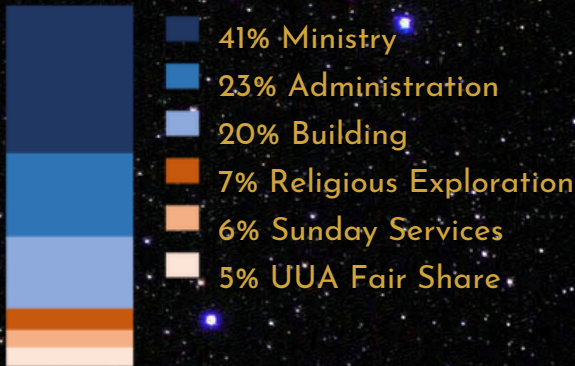


2023 INCOME



2023 EXPENSES



2023 Pledges

\$0-\$499	18	\$2,500-\$2,999	3
\$500-\$999	8	\$3,000-\$3,999	7
\$1,000-\$1,499	19	\$4,000-\$4,999	4
\$1,500-\$1,999	7	\$5,000-\$5,999	6
\$2,000-\$2,499	8	\$6,000+	6
86 total pledges			

FULLFILLING YOUR PLEDGE

You can fulfill your pledge through

- a single lump sum donation (a check sent with your pledge form or in a labeled envelope in the offering plate). If you pay by check, please put "pledge" in the memo line.
- a regular (monthly, quarterly, etc.) payment: a check or directly from your bank's bill payment service.
- a stock transfer (contact our Office Admin)
- a direct transfer to UUFB as a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA, thus reducing your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions. (Contact your IRA plan administrator and our Office Administrator.) Additional information is available here: uufbozeman.org/ira.

As the year goes on, you may adjust your pledge up or down as necessary, by contacting the treasurer or minister.



SAVE A STAMP!

Submit your 2024 pledge online
uufbozeman.org/pledge

Phone: 406.586.1368
E-mail: admin@uufbozeman.org
Website: uufbozeman.org
325 N. 25th Ave., Bozeman, MT 59718

2024 ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE

*Celebrating our
Community
through Giving*

Supporting our Fellowship



CELEBRATING COMMUNITY THROUGH GIVING



CELEBRATING: After a few years of distance, isolation, and even loss, we can now celebrate having made it through to new times. We're still here! We celebrate in many ways: participating on Sunday mornings, joining social events, engaging in all the life of the Fellowship. Next summer we will –if all goes well–welcome a new settled minister. There are changes behind us and changes ahead of us, all to be celebrated.

COMMUNITY: When asked what our members and friends value most about UUFb, the resounding answer is “the community.” It takes all of us to be that community—to show up, to care, to offer a hand, to do our part. We need one another and we give of ourselves to one another.

GIVING: Our community is constantly renewing itself through our efforts and our gifts. As we approach the yearly seasons of giving and gratitude, it is time to share within our community. We sustain that community, its work and its play, by naming what we can give to it in the coming year.



As we enter our second full year after covid, it's starting to feel like we are really coming together again. We have more people on committees, and we are holding social events. “Celebrating Our Community Through Giving,” the theme of this year's Stewardship campaign recognizes this revival. We will celebrate it with a “Crazy Days” event on November 3, which we hope will offer a lot of fun and laughter.

But there is a serious purpose behind the fun. Every fall we ask members and friends to identify their commitment to the coming year's operating budget. We have a tradition of stepping up to fund ourselves, and getting fully back in the swing after years of isolation and improvisation will take all of us.

GOALS

The goal for this year is \$227,500. It's an ambitious goal, but by meeting this dollar goal, we can strengthen our community and our life together. Specifically, we can

- Continue to provide high quality and engaging religious education for children, families, and adults along with inspiring Sunday services and other programs
- Live our values by supporting our staff with cost-of-living raises

- Welcome a new full-time settled minister
- Hire a choir director and have a budget to bring in special musicians during the year
- Honor our social justice commitments

By supporting UUFb with your pledge, you will help continue our ability to meet the needs of members and friends, and provide a foundation to better serve our community and the world.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR PLEDGE

When you fill out the pledge form - whether on paper or online--you make a good faith estimate of an amount that balances your commitment to the Fellowship with the resources you can share.

Complete the paper pledge form in the pledge packet, seal it in the envelope provided, and put it in the offering plate on Sunday morning or mail it in. Or . . .

Use the stewardship box on our home page (uufbozeman.org/pledge) to securely pledge online.

All pledge information is confidential.

The deadline to return forms is November 19, 2023, allowing us to use our known pledge income to plan UUFb's expected expenses in the 2024 budget for Fellowship members to approve in January.

Let us remember the words we sing together every Sunday: “From you I receive, to you I give, together we share and from this we live.”