

### **Bedford Community Table**

Every other month, First Parish prepares and serves about 60 dinners for the Bedford Community Table. A hearty crew helps cook and serves and RE kids and parents come to do the cleanup.

**First Parish Contact: Merc Kane (781-275-0155)**

### **Bedford Food Pantry**

We collect food to donate to the pantry, where food is distributed to those in need.

**First Parish Contact: Carol Hamilton (781-275-2718)**

### **UU Partner Church Program**

First Parish has a strong relationship with our Transylvanian partner church in Abasfalva (Aldea), Romania. We are currently sponsoring scholarships for seven high school students, and working with the village to make some major improvements to their water system.

**FP Contacts:** Sarah Dorer, Art Smith, Chuck Cole, Rich Daugherty, Cathy Cordes

*(for a more complete & updated listing please refer to the First Parish website\*)*

### **PROGRAM SUPPORT & FUNDING**

The Social Responsibility Council (SRC) supports social outreach projects of education and awareness, service, and social action. It offers public support, funding, and/or guidance for sponsored projects.

We invite those interested to submit proposals to the SRC for specific Social Action Projects. We recommend that major projects involve teams of two or more parishioners who take direct responsibility and that any others who commit support be identified as well. "Proposal Application" forms and helpful "Points to Consider" can be found on the First Parish website ([www.uubedford.org](http://www.uubedford.org)) or at the First Parish office.

Social Action Project proposals will be reviewed monthly at regular SRC meetings. Applicants are encouraged to attend the review meeting to ask or answer questions and give additional information. After approval, project leaders will be responsible for keeping the SRC informed about progress, budget, learnings, issues, and accomplishment of goals as well as a written summary for our June Annual Report to update the entire church community.

The Council also regularly uses some of its resources for donations or matching grants to important causes; it is always open to suggestions for such support. We look forward to your active involvement. Please contact any of the SRC members for further information.

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*If you would like to update a volunteer listing or to add a volunteer program opportunity contact the SRC Chair listed on the First Parish website:*

*\* [www.uubedford.org](http://www.uubedford.org)*

## *Social Action Opportunities*

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*Guided by our UU Principles, the Social Action programs of First Parish seek to see the world through the eyes of the suffering, to empower the disenfranchised, to address injustice, to bear witness against inequality, to protect the environment, and to promote peace through programs designed to:*

- *Awaken a passion to make a difference*
- *Help people of all ages put their faith into action*
- *Provide opportunities for spiritual growth through reflection on our actions*



***“Love is the Spirit of this Church  
and Service is its Law”***