

UUCCSM Green Sanctuary/ Green Living Committee Charter Application October 2018	
<i>Background</i>	Formed in 2007, the Green Sanctuary Committee was created as part of the Faith In Action Commission, and is dedicated to living in accordance with the Seventh UU Principle “. We have met and worked continuously since that time. Through our efforts, the Congregation was granted by the UUA, recognition as a Green Sanctuary, April, 2016. We have also garnered two Sustainable Quality Awards from City of Santa Monica in 2010 and 2018 and an award from Interfaith Power and Light in 2010. The current name is Green Living Committee, as we have attained our Green Sanctuary status.
<i>Purpose and Relation to Mission</i>	Mission is to promote and affirm 7 th UU Principle: “Respect for the interdependent web of existence of which we are a part” by facilitating, planning and supporting the congregation’s commitment to the Earth by creating a sustainable life style for members as individuals and as a faith community. Specific purposes: Build awareness of societal issues, generate commitment for personal lifestyle changes, motivate UUs to community action on environmental issues, build connection between spiritual practice and environmental consciousness, build awareness of and rectify environmental injustices.
<i>Under the Authority of</i>	The UUSM Board and Faith in Action Commission Co-Chairs (currently James Witker and Sara Mae Harper)
<i>Leadership</i>	Alison Kendall, Secretary and Chair Green Living Committee-responsibilities to meet monthly, prepare and distribute meeting minutes, ensure next steps/action items pursued, document work and recruit/retain broad, active membership and participation.
<i>Specific Responsibilities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Creating congregational commitment to living the Seventh Principle -Facilitating collaboration among UUCCSM groups to contribute to Green Living program success -Work in concert with the Facilities and Maintenance Development Committee and the Church administration to ensure our congregation meets its commitments with the City of Santa Monica and California Environmental Code and put forth in the following UUSM policies (example: Prior to a facility project starting, the FDMC will consult with GLC to review best practices) - C3-14: Environmental Procurement Policy -C3-12: <u>UUSM Good Neighbor Parking Impact Reduction Plan</u> -Draft UUSM Green Cleaning Policy -Work in concert with the congregation and the administration to meet our commitments with City of Santa Monica development agreement and our <u>UUSM Good Neighbor Parking Impact Reduction Plan</u> by conducting “The transportation Survey” every 2 years to assess our community’s transportation habits. The survey and results to be presented to the Board and Community at large and filed in church archives. -Increase awareness of Green issues and individual actions members can adopt and embrace -Use Newsletter, Order of Service, Pulpit Announcements, Green Living

	<p>Table and Fair, Earth Day Service, Sustainable Cinema and other Green Events and website to communicate green ideas and actions to all members and larger community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Recruit broadly for Committee membership and participation in activities -Develop and Implement the Green Sanctuary Program at UCCSM, including completing environmental assessment and monitoring progress against the baseline assessment.
<i>Relationship to Staff</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Committee Chair to liaise with Administrator and office staff regarding Green Living Committee Events, Green Sanctuary assessments and green building practices, -Work closely with Minister, DRE and Worship Associate on annual Earth Day Service and Green Living Fair, and other green programs, -Report to FIA Commission, Board and Congregation on specific Green Living Committee green building projects and sustainable practices at UCCSM in coordination with Facilities Development and Maintenance Committee.
<i>Limitations/Constraints</i>	<p>Budget and programs subject to FIA Commission and Board, Green Building Projects subject to Facilities Development and Maintenance Comm, the Board, and the Congregation.</p>
<i>Reporting Requirements</i>	<p>Annual Report and Charter Review by Board, available to any member. Transportation Survey to be conducted every 2 years and reported to the Board and Congregation.</p>

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