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HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED**

**PAINT BRANCH
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**WORKING FOR
SOCIAL JUSTICE FOR ALL**

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**PAINT BRANCH UU CHURCH SAC
IS DEDICATED TO UU PRINCIPLES:**

▲ **THE INHERENT WORTH**

AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON

▲ **THE GOAL OF WORLD COMMUNITY**

**WITH PEACE, LIBERTY,
AND JUSTICE FOR ALL**

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SAC

AN UMBRELLA GROUP FOR THE SOCIAL ACTION AND SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES THAT MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ENDORSE. THIS YEAR, WE WILL CONCENTRATE ON

INTENTIONAL INCLUSIVITY AND ANTI-OPPRESSION AS WELL AS OUR ONGOING EMPHASIS ON HOUSING, AND GLOBAL AND NATIONAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS. SAC MEETS MONTHLY. MEETING DATES ARE NOTED IN BRANCHES AND IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN.

▲ INTENTIONAL INCLUSIVITY /ANTI-OPPRESSION TASK FORCE

(DARTT) A CONGREGATION-WIDE EFFORT TO OPEN OUR EYES TO THE WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND WHAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. OUR COORDINATOR IS LEO JONES.

▲ AFFORDABLE AND EMERGENCY HOUSING

CAROL CARTER WALKER IS THE SAC BOARD MEMBER OF THE OPEN DOOR CORP. KEN MONTVILLE IS ON THE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE OVERSEEING UU INVESTMENTS IN THIS LARGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION THAT THE UU AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION MERGED INTO IN 2007. PBUUC HAS INVESTED \$80,000 FROM THE FRANK ROLAND BEQUEST. THE OPEN DOOR MISSION IS TO ASSIST COOPS, TENANTS' ORGANIZATIONS, BUILDERS AND RENOVATORS OF MODERATE INCOME HOUSING IN DC, BALTIMORE, AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

WITH INTEREST FROM THE LOAN, SAC MADE A GRANT TO THE FAMILY CRISIS CENTER TO EXPAND SERVICES TO WOMEN AND CHILDREN SUFFERING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY. SAC ALSO MADE A GRANT TO VESTA,, A NON-PROFIT PROVIDING SUPERVISED HOUSING AND MANY SUPPORT SERVICES TO ADULTS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. THE GRANT WILL BE USED TO UNDERWRITE EXPENSES FOR CLIENTS READY FOR MORE INDEPENDENT LIVING. SAC PLANS TO STAY ENGAGED WITH BOTH NON-PROFITS.

▲ WARM NIGHTS

WARM NIGHTS PROVIDES A WEEK OF SHELTER AT PBUUC FOR HOMELESS MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN DURING WINTER. NATHAN RUMMEL; IS COORDINATOR THIS YEAR. GUESTS ENJOY A HOT EVENING MEAL PREPARED AND SERVED BY PBUUC VOLUNTEERS, A SIMPLE BREAKFAST, AND A BAG LUNCH. THIS WEEK IN JANUARY INVOLVES MANY MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE YOUTH GROUP AND R.E. CHILDREN.

▲ BEACON HOUSE

CONTACT PERSON: NATHAN RUMMEL
A UU COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN THE NE WASHINGTON EDGEWOOD DEVELOPMENT, BEACON HOUSE OFFERS TUTORING, SPORTS, RECREATION AND CRAFTS. NOW IN ITS 16TH YEAR, VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. DURING WEEKDAYS AFTER SCHOOL, AND ON WEEKENDS.

▲ SECOND SATURDAY

SECOND SATURDAY INVOLVES PBUUC VOLUNTEERS A FEW TIMES A YEAR TO DEEP CLEAN, PAINT AND REFURBISH HOUSING UNITS FOR NORTHEAST D.C. FAMILIES IN CRISIS.

▲ GLOBAL/NATIONAL HEALTH CARE

SAC MEMBERS ACT WITH THE MONTGOMERY HEALTH CARE ACTION, AND THE UU LEGISLATIVE MINISTRY-MD. AT LOBBYING DAYS IN ANNAPOLIS, PB MEMBERS MEET WITH DELEGATES AND MEMBERS OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES IN SUPPORT OF EXPANDING HEALTH CARE TO ALL. RENE McDONALD AND MARJ DONN ARE CONTACT PERSONS.

▲ GAY LESBIAN BISEXUAL TRANSSEXUAL RIGHTS

PBUUC SUPPORTS CIVIL MARRIAGE FOR ALL. PBUUC PARTICIPATES IN THE GAY PRIDE PARADE AND FESTIVAL AND SUPPORTS THE CAPITAL AREA UU INTERWEAVE. WITH TISH HALL, CELESTE HALL, AND MARJ DONN LOBBY IN ANNAPOLIS FOR MARRIAGE-RELATED BILLS AND TO ADD SEXUAL ORIENTATION TO THE EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION STATE LAW.

▲ ALTERNATIVE GIFTS HOLIDAY SALE

THE ALTERNATIVE GIFTS HOLIDAY SALE CONFRONTS POVERTY, PEACE, JUSTICE AND HEALTH ISSUES GLOBALLY. IT IS OUR ONE CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN FAR-FLUNG REGIONS OF THE WORLD IN DESPERATE NEED OF RELIEF. RENE McDONALD, LAURA BONKOSKY AND CAROL WALKER COORDINATE PUBLICITY AND SALES. HELD AFTER SERVICE IN DECEMBER, THE SALE GIVES MEMBERS AND FRIENDS THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMBAT MATERIALISM AT HOME WITH A GIFT THAT OFFERS HOPE TO THE IMPOVERISHED IN THE NAME OF A RELATIVE OR FRIEND.

▲ WORKING TOWARDS PEACE IN THE MIDEAST AND AFRICA

NANCY BOARDMAN ARRANGES MEETINGS ON PALESTINIAN/ISRAELI CONFLICT RESOLUTION, INCLUDING THE MARYLAND UNITED FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE CONFERENCE IN APRIL. MEMBERS ALSO PARTICIPATE IN PEACE RALLIES.

▲ COMMUNITY CAFÉ

ESTHER NICHOLS COORDINATES PBUUC COOKS AND SERVERS WHO PROVIDE A NUTRITIOUS HOT LUNCH FOR ABOUT 60 HUNGRY PEOPLE MONTHLY. ABOUT NINE OF OUR MEMBERS PARTICIPATE REGULARLY. FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HYATTSVILLE SUPPORTS THE PROGRAM.

▲ GREEN TEAM ADDRESSES ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

PAINT BRANCH HAS A GOAL: GREEN SANCTUARY UUA CERTIFICATION. WE HAVE ALREADY EMBRACED THERMAL HEATING IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BUILDING AND PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT DRIVE. OUR CONGREGATION WORKS WITH ADIBITI, A COUNTY-SUPPORTED RECYCLING EFFORT, AND CONTINUES TO LOOK FOR WAYS TO RECYCLE OFFICE SUPPLIES, INCLUDING PRINTER AND COPIER CARTRIDGES.

