Article II, Executive Limitations—Policy I: Fundraising
Adopted May 25, 2010; Amended November 21, 2019

The Executive Team shall not fail to:
1) Establish guidelines consistent with the above policies
2) Review all proposed fundraisers and fundraising activities proposed by church groups for any purpose, by any means, and at any location.
3) Approve, in a timely manner, proposed fundraisers and fundraising activities that are consistent with the above policies

The purpose of the review is
- to ensure that our fundraising activities are consistent with our not-for-profit status;
- to avoid overburdening the congregation with requests for money;
- to ensure that the resources of the church are focused on the established Ends for the Church and consistent with the approved church budget.

Interpretation. The Executive Team is to 1) ensure that there is an operating policy to provide consistent guidelines about fundraising activities at First Unitarian, that 2) all fundraisers and fundraising activities are reviewed by staff and meet the criteria established by the operating policy, and that 3) proposed fundraisers and fundraising activities that are approved are consistent with above policies are done so in a timely manner. By timely manner it is meant that acceptable fundraising activities are approved soon enough after submission that they can be organized and conducted to be effective for their intended purpose.

Monitoring. The Executive Team must certify annually that a Fundraising Policy is in place and is in use to review and approve all fundraising activities. If there are instances of noncompliance, the certification must state them and offer justification and plans for remediation.

We report COMPLIANCE.

EVIDENCE: The current version of our Fundraising Operating Policy can be found on our website at https://www.ucdsm.org/about/operating-policies/. A copy of the policy is included as an attachment with this report.