

Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation (E&I) – Job Description

"Inform and promote mission giving and mission education opportunities within United Methodist Women."

United Methodist Women Handbook

Inform and **Promote** North Texas Conference United Methodist Women's Local Unit Recognition Program:

- ✓ Contribute to all Five Channels of Mission Giving:
 - Pledge to Mission
 - Special Mission Recognition
 - Gift to Mission (cards)
 - Gift in Memory
 - World Thank Offering
- ✓ Implement the "Living the Racial Justice Charter" in one way – website
- ✓ Attend the Charter for Racial Justice Virtual Event - **April 10**
- ✓ Encourage participation in a level of the Reading Program - Plan I, Plan II, Plan III or Plan IV- Women, Youth or Children – website
- ✓ Ensure that the Survey to National UMW is completed on website by **Feb. 1- Responsibility MNO**
- ✓ Participate in a multi-unit, district or conference UMW Spiritual Growth Event such as Morning/Day Apart or Retreat - **Conference event March 13 – virtual**
- ✓ Support at least one of the two UMW Priority Issues by a program or outreach project
 - Climate Justice Campaign: Just Energy for All - website
 - Criminalization of Communities of Color and Mass Incarceration Campaign: Interrupt the School to Prison Pipeline
- ✓ Contribute to North Texas Conference United Methodist Women Annual Mission Project

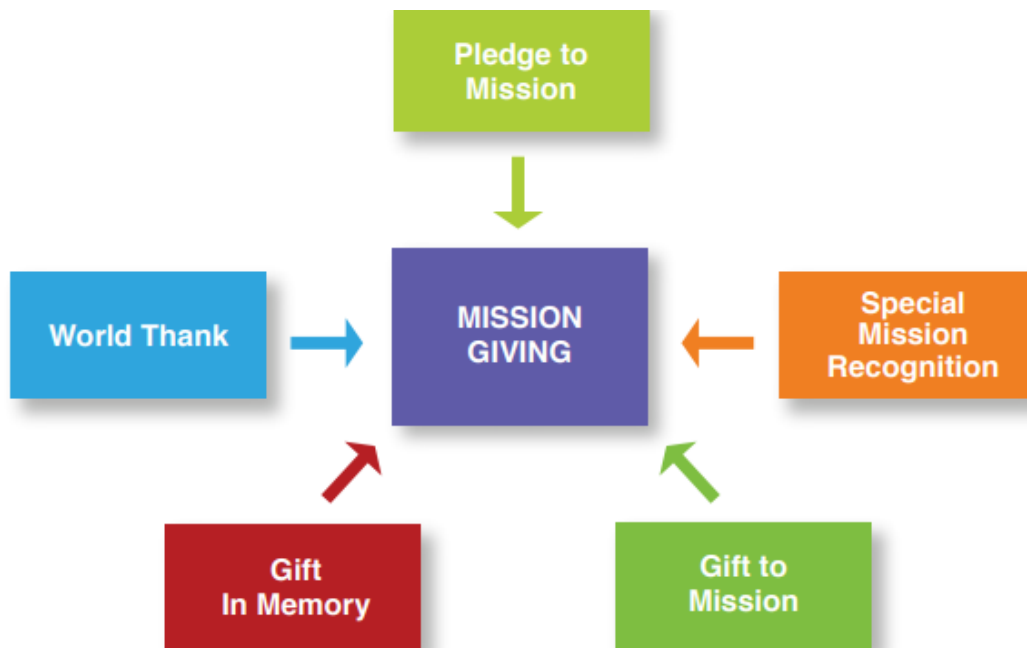
Attend UMW Meetings Make Reports Give Presentations

Communicate with local district mission coordinators for Education and Interpretation

Essential Resources:

- **UMW:** www.unitedmethodistwomen.org
- **UMW Mission Resources (E-Store):** www.umwmissionresources.org

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Five Channels of Giving

Not all United Methodist Women members can travel the world, but their mission dollars can and do through the five channels of Mission Giving.

Resources for the channels of giving are available online at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/5channels.

Pledge to Mission

This is the largest channel of Mission Giving. Individual women pledge the amount that they will give to their local organizations to help fulfill the Purpose of United Methodist Women.

The conference United Methodist Women pledges a specific amount to the United Methodist Women national organization for mission with women, children and youth and retains a designated percentage to be used for district and conference administration and membership development expenses. This channel of giving enables us to sustain and strengthen our historic commitments and relationships in the United States and around the world.

Special Mission Recognition

An individual or group can recognize a faithful worker in mission by giving her or him a Special Mission Recognition pin. A certificate and a pin are available to honor the individual. Gift amounts range from \$40 to \$2000.

Gift to Mission

Gifts to Mission are typically made in honor of someone for a special occasion. Cards are available to present your gift.

Gift in Memory

You can honor the memory of someone special by giving a Gift in Memory of her or him. Cards are available to represent your gift. Your donation makes additional mission work possible in the United States and around the world.

World Thank Offering

Throughout the year United Methodist Women members participate in a long-held tradition of giving a spontaneous gift of gratitude for God's abundance and in celebration of the joys of life. Members often have offering boxes or other containers (see the United Methodist Women Mission Resources website: www.umwmissonresources.org) in their homes where they collect the offering throughout the year and then bring them to a special service of thanksgiving. A World Thank Offering program is available every year in the United Methodist Women Program Book and on the website.

The funds collected are used in the total program of mission carried on through the national United Methodist Women organization in the United States and around the world.

North Texas Conference Living the Racial Justice Charter: Activities/Resources for Local UMW Units (2020-2021)
United Methodist Women 09.01.20 – 08.31.21

For a Local UMW Unit to obtain the “Living the Racial Justice Charter” designation, ONE activity from each category (I. Local UMW Unit Programming, II. Local UMW Unit Enrichment, and III. Beyond the Local UMW Unit) must be completed during a calendar year. Following the achievement of the “Living the Racial Justice Charter” designation, a Local UMW Unit may continue to retain the designation by completing a minimum of ONE activity (from any category) in each successive calendar year. For Local UMW Units with UMW Circles, any activities completed by Circles will be counted toward the three activities required for the Local UMW Unit to receive the “Living the Racial Justice Charter” designation.

If participation in “Living the Racial Justice Charter” lapses in any given year, the Local UMW Unit must begin again AND complete three activities, one from each category, during a calendar year.

(I) Local UMW Unit Programming:

1. Devote a meeting to studying and discussing the Charter for Racial Justice
2. Use a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW program book
3. Participate in a Bible study on racism (Racial Justice Manual – online)
4. Give a book report on a Reading Program book on Social Action
5. Invite an international guest to come and speak about their home country
6. Regularly share local newspaper articles relating to racism
7. Regularly share articles from UMW *Response* magazine relating to racism
8. Watch and discuss a video relevant to racial justice, mass incarceration, etc.
9. Study the portion of the racial justice timeline that spans your lifetime
10. Conduct a workshop from the UMW Racial Justice Manual

(II) Local UMW Unit Enrichment:

1. Display the Charter for Racial Justice and lift up at least one issue in each meeting
2. Send at least one member to Mission u to take the Social Action Study
3. Supply each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice
4. Purchase & discuss two UMW Reading Program books authored by someone with a different racial background or ethnic profiling
5. Attend a UMW District or Conference Social Action event
6. Study, in-depth, a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice policies
7. Study the Social Principles of the UMC that relate to racism
<https://www.umc.org/en/what-we-believe/basics-of-our-faith/our-social-positions>
8. Have a member of your Local UMW Unit sign up to receive free email updates from the following:

Colorlines	www.colorlines.com
Equal Justice Initiative	www.eji.org
Southern Poverty Law Center	www.splcenter.org
9. Attend a UMW conference-sponsored racial justice event (attendance by one or more local UMW unit members)

(III) Beyond the Local UMW Unit:

1. Give a Special Mission Recognition pin to someone who works to promote racial justice
2. Hold a postcard writing session to contact Legislators regarding issues as determined by the NTC UMW Social Action Coordinator(s)
3. Experience worship with a church with a different ethnic background

(III) Beyond the Local UMW Unit (Continued):

4. Host an international tasting party or cultural event and be certain to integrate a racial justice element
5. Plan a worship experience for your church with emphasis on racial justice from the UMW Racial Justice Manual
6. Conduct a workshop from the UMW Racial Justice Manual
7. Host a panel to discuss equal education, housing, employment, etc.
8. Mentor/Tutor a minority child at a local school

Racial Justice Tools/References (which can be found online at the links below)

- UMW Charter for Racial Justice
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjusticecharter>
- Resources for Racial Justice Manual
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/download-resources/racial-justice-tools-for-leaders.pdf>
- Racial Justice history
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racial-justice/history>
- UMW Program Resource Book
<https://www.umwmissionresources.org>
- UMW Reading Program books
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram>
- Mission U
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mission-u>
- Response Magazine
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/response>
- General Commission on Religion & Race
<https://www.gcorr.org>
- UMC Global Ministries
<https://umcmmission.org>
- UMC
<https://www.umc.org>
- UMW Jurisdictional Racial Justice Charter Support Team
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2021-2024 UMW Social Justice Priorities

FAQ

What are UMW's Social Justice Priorities for the 2021-2024 Quadrennium?

United Methodist Women's Social Justice Priorities for the 2021-2024 quadrennium are:

- ☐ **Mass Incarceration/Criminalization of Communities of Color**, with a particular focus on the Interrupting the School to Prison Pipeline campaign, and
- ☐ **Climate Justice**, with a particular focus on the Just Energy 4 All campaign.

Why are we only doing two priorities? What about Maternal Health and Economic Justice?

As we move forward in this moment, we do so with a great sense of intention and discernment. To be impactful, we are constantly assessing what is needed in this moment and where our strengths lie. Reducing the number of priority issues for this quadrennium enables us to focus the resources and time of members and national staff, go deeper into each of the issues we're engaging, and develop stronger local and national partnerships in these areas.

In this time of diminishing resources, this kind of focus makes us more effective to have greater impact for good.

As we wind down our work on Maternal and Child Health and Economic Justice/Living Wage by year end, we are confident that the organizations we've partnered with over the past quadrennium will continue to advance justice and equity in these areas. Resources on these issues will continue to be available on the United Methodist Women website through 2022 for use by members.

Priority work on Mass Incarceration/Criminalization of Communities of Color and on Climate Justice will continue to explore the economic justice and women's health implications in these areas.



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What about our work on gender equity and racial justice?

United Methodist Women is a women's mission organization whose founding and subsequent work evidenced the efficacy of women to lead, achieve, and answer God's calling in a time when women's role in church and society were stymied.

Gender justice and women's leadership development are part of United Methodist Women's core commitments and will always be a key component of our work.

Likewise, **United Methodist Women has a long-standing commitment to eradicating racism.** We began this work over 100 years ago and regularly re-commit to anti-racist work to dismantle structural racism. We know that all people are beloved in God's eyes, and until they are loved in the eyes of all, our work persists.

Recent videos of extrajudicial killings of George Floyd and other people of color has forced the church and the nation to confront the inequities in law enforcement and institutional racism. Our work on Mass Incarceration/Criminalization of Communities of Color and the Interrupting the School to Prison Pipeline campaign and Climate Justice are most important at this time. Our work on these issues consistently reveals their intersectionality with gender inequity and racial injustice, placing us in a unique position to lead as the nation assesses the role of systemic racism.



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**Consult these websites for all
United Methodist Women information**

North Texas Conference UMW website:

<https://umwnorthtexas.org>

National UMW website:

<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org>