

Unitarian Universalists have a true friend in AFL-CIO!

I reviewed UUA social witness statements from the 21st century. I found that with our most pressing issues, the AFL-CIO is fighting on our side. I can't think of a better reason for us to be support union.

Below is the list of issues where unions and UUs agree:

LGBTQ Justice
Immigrant justice
Racial Justice
A just transition to deal with climate change and the environment
The democratic process and voting rights for all
Gender justice,
Economic justice
Healthcare justice
Stopping exploitation of prison labor
Corporate responsibility
Opposition to Citizens United
Stopping torture
Ending present day slavery
Employment non-discrimination for sexual minorities
Freedom of speech and airwaves
Ending poverty
Religious Freedom
Moral values for a pluralistic society



Unions take No Position on the following five issues:

Reproductive rights
Banning Capital punishment
Right to bear arms (or control guns)
Sex education
Peace

The one thing that unions won't support:

In 2013 we passed an AIW called [“Condemn the Racist Mistreatment of Young People of Color by Police”](#) Because unions are all about solidarity, unions will not be taking on this issue—we UUs will need to find other collaborators.