## **PROPOSED** GREEN SANCTUARY COVENANT

FUUSM has been an accredited "Green Sanctuary" since March 2011. To continue our accreditation "UUA's Green Sanctuary 2030: Mobilizing for Climate Justice" "road map" provides a supported process for congregational transformation on climate. Established in 1989, this is the seventh iteration of the Green Sanctuary Program. Learn more about Green Sanctuary 2030 vision, mission, and outcomes (at this link Ctrl+click) how to promote and use ethical practices to maintain our status in this program. Towards that process we have developed a Green Sanctuary Covenant for FUUSM and we need your input. Please look over the sample Green Sanctuary Covenant below, give us your thoughts on revising and/or modifying this sample, so we can generate our own FUUSM Covenant. Also, please give us your thoughts for future Green Sanctuary ideas/projects for our own building and community.

## **SAMPLE GREEN SANCTUARY COVENANT**

## AS A CONGREGATION WE -

- Recognize the fragile and interdependent state of our Earth and all living things;
- Recognize the need to protect and maintain the quality of our common life-giving natural resources such as water, soil, and air;
- Recognize the need to join with others to bring forth a sustainable society based on respect for our planet and all its life-giving resources; and
- Recognize our universal human rights to a clean environment:

THEREFORE, WE DECLARE - to one another, to the greater community of life, and to future generations, our acceptance of responsibility for preserving and protecting the health, vitality, beauty, and diversity of this planet Earth, and doing what we can to preserve a healthy climate. (The phrase is red in addition to the 2007 words.)

## TO THIS END -We, as members of this congregation and participants In the Green Sanctuary program, commit to:

- Incorporate our Seventh Principle values and practices into our worship services, celebrations, and religious education programs; (7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.)
- Live lightly on the Earth and strive to continually improve our environmental impact;
- Support efforts to improve the quality of our
- watershed; and
- Affirm and promote programs to raise the awareness of human behaviors that affect the health and sustainability of the living Earth!

participate as future Green Sanctuary activities or programs

> Please suggest any ways to raise congregational awareness of these issues.

Please list topics or areas of study in the "7th principle" domain you would like investigated.