

For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,
I was a stranger and you took me into your home,
I was naked and you gave me clothing,
I was sick and you took care of me,
I was in prison and you visited me.

Matthew 25:35-36

As a love response to the kind of caring in the scripture quoted above,

## **FUND FOR HUMANITY**

is an outgrowth of the interest of many people of our church to provide concrete support for people -oriented social concerns. This fund provides a mechanism for alternative gifting to one of the suggested social concern organizations in honor or memory of a person you designate; i.e., for a memorial, birthday, anniversary, etc. We believe this is a creative alternative to other traditional gifts.

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The Fund for Humanity provides a way to give alternative gifts and is encouraged throughout the year for special occasions. Particularly during the Advent season, many members elect to give a gift in the name of a loved one or friend in lieu of purchasing a gift. During Advent, the gifts are symbolically acknowledged with an increasing number of candles on the Parson's Table during worship.

Simply print and fill out the Donation Form below, enclose your check made out to Sunnyvale First United Methodist Church or Trinity United Methodist Church. Write "Fund for Humanity" in the memo line of your check. Mail to Sunnyvale United Methodist Church, 535 Old San Francisco Road, Sunnyvale, CA 94086. A gift card will be sent to the person you designate.

## **DONATION FORM**

1.	GIFT FROM
	Your Name
	Donate to Organization_
	Occasion and/or date when card should be received by honoree
	Name of Honoree
	Send Card to (address)
2.	GIFT FROM
	Your Name
	Donate to Organization
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## **SUGGESTIONS FOR GIVING**

□ <b>Church &amp; Society Outreach Fund</b> of Sunnyvale United Methodist Church — www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org
Monies are distributed throughout the year to individuals and families, emergency needs due to natural disasters, and other causes deemed worthy of church support.
□ <b>Family Supportive Housing Inc.</b> — www.familysupportivehousing.org Empowers homeless families in Santa Clara County to move to self-sufficiency by providing temporary shelter and supportive services.
□ <b>Habitat for Humanity Silicon Valley</b> — <i>www.habitatebsv.org</i> Habitat is committed to eliminating poverty housing throughout the world by building decent, affordable housing for long-term home ownership.
☐ <b>Heifer Project International</b> — <i>www.heifer.org</i> With gifts of livestock and training, Heifer helps families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways to end hunger and poverty, and care for the earth.
☐ <b>Sierra Service Project</b> — www.sierraserviceproject.org Provides opportunities for high school age youth and young adults to repair homes, build faith, and serve others in Native American, multicultural, and South American communities.
□ <b>Southern Poverty Law Center</b> — www.splcenter.org The SPLC is a nonprofit civil rights organization dedicated to fighting hate and bigotry, teaching tolerance, and seeking justice for the most vulnerable members of society.
□ <b>Sunnyvale Community Services</b> — www.svcommunityservices.org The mission of Sunnyvale Community Services is to prevent homelessness and hunger for low-income families and seniors facing temporary crises. They provide financial aid, food, and other support that prevents larger problems with more expensive solutions. SCS is a United Way agency.
□ United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) — www.umcor.org The humanitarian relief and development agency of the United Methodist Church, UMCOR responds worldwide to natural or human-made disasters. UMCOR spends 100 percent of your designated donations on the projects you specify.
□ West Valley Community Services of Cupertino — www.wvcommunityservices.org West Valley Community Services, Inc. (WVCS) is a private non-profit, community-based agency that provides direct assistance and referral services to the community. WVCS provides a continuum of basic needs, family support, and housing services.