

Building Humanism from the Inside Out Issue #5: 2016 Year's-End

Welcome to the newsletter of **Building Humanism from the Inside Out**, the First Unitarian Society Capital Campaign. This is the final issue of 2016, and what a year it has been! We eagerly anticipate big doings around Mount Curve in 2017.

The end of the year is only a few days away. If you are thinking of making one more contribution to the Capital Campaign for 2016, now is the time!

Please continue reading to learn about what we've been up to lately.

This issue's highlights:

**Total Fundraising has passed the \$3 Million Mark
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The fundraising efforts have now reached \$3.08 million. With our revised construction budget of \$3.8 million, and \$600K in loans, we are now within striking distance of raising \$3.2 million to fully fund the project! Thank you and congratulations to everyone who has contributed.

Challenge Grant is 50% Matched

And contributing mightily to reaching that goal, our \$350,000 Challenge Grant is now more than 50% matched! Remember, every Capital Campaign commitment made through the end of December will be matched one-to-one from this Challenge Fund. When we raise 100% of the Challenge, we will have fully funded our **Building Humanism from the Inside Out** project.

Construction slated to begin in February

Our updated schedule shows that construction work will begin in early February, and is scheduled to be completed in September, in time for the beginning of the program year. Between now and then, we expect that the contract for construction will be signed, and we will begin ordering some major components of the project, including the elevator and the new HVAC system.

Final Words

If you haven't yet talked to a member of the fundraising team, there are several ways you can get plugged into the process before year's-end.

- Visit the [capital campaign website](#) to request a meeting.
- Drop us a message at fustomorrow@gmail.com.
- Contact the chair of the Capital Campaign, Greg Giles, at 651-307-2252, or the chair of the Fundraising Team, Linnea Asp, at 612-345-7095.

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We'll talk about the new restroom facilities

Closing Words

We expect our Mount Curve home to be a very busy place in 2017, and please remember that we will all need to be flexible as some of our activities may be temporarily relocated around the building. We will do our best to let you know in advance how the construction activity will be impacting our programming.

In the meantime, the Chalice Room remodeling has been completed. Stop in and take a look at our spiffy new space!

And as always, watch your email and check the [Capital Campaign website](#) regularly for updates.