

Eagle Ridge United Church

Policy on supporting causes or events in which our members are involved

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POLICY:

1. Members or Adherents of ERUC requesting support for causes or events in which they are involved, should submit a brief written request to the most relevant committee, or else to Session, for evaluation and appropriate handling as detailed below.
2. Each request will be evaluated as to its appropriateness and fit with the congregation's Vision, Purpose, and Values statements. If deemed appropriate, each request will be further categorized as either "sponsored" or "supported" and handled as such.
 - a. **Sponsored** means that this is a primarily an ERUC driven or partnered project which is entitled to dissemination to the congregation through the announcement time, space in the Life of the Community (LOTC), website, and/or email. A brief written notice should be sent to the administrator by the sponsoring committee.
 - b. **Supported** indicates that one or more of our congregants is participating in something which is based primarily outside of ERUC. It will be included in the "Wider Ministries of our Congregants" section of the LOTC.

RATIONALE:

- We want to encourage congregational outreach, both corporate and personal.
- We want to encourage members to share their gifts wherever God is leading them.
- We don't want our announcement time during worship to be too long.
- We want our LOTC to be United Church and/or ERUC centric.
- The LOTC is sent out as an official ERUC communication, and we don't want to break the promise that was made to our congregants that their email addresses would be used for ERUC mailings only.