**Criteria for Selection of Share the Plate Pilot Recipients**

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**Eligibility Criteria**

* Nominated by a First Parish program or a pledging member/s
* Mission consistent with UU principles
* Non-profit (501c3) status
* Likely share of collections would make a meaningful difference to the organization *(Organization’s Form 990 will be reviewed to determine whether it is of a size where a collection of $3,000 to $10,000 would make a significant difference.)*

**Selection Criteria**

Of those eligible, the Selection Committee will consider the following in making a selection of three organizations to Share the Plate in February, March and April.

* Extent of support from the congregation *(# of nominating sponsors, # of FP programs nominating, opportunities for generating matching funds)*
* Opportunity for congregants to build a relationship with the recipient organization *(opportunities for partnership, volunteering, or further fundraising)*
* Selecting recipients to contribute to a variety of local, national, and international target populations and to different social justice missions
* Opportunity to align collections with themes of sermons and social action events
* Degree to which collection would support the priorities of the UUA