

Dear NSUC Congregation,

On November 19, 2023, a wonderful group of 26 folk met to brainstorm on which broad category we would like to focus on for a Social Justice initiative for 2024 (recognizing that most of us have dedicated our entire lives to Social Justice work in one form or another).



Social Justice Team

But sometimes, an organization can carry more weight than individuals -- and sometimes, it is good for an organization to know that they are intentionally working together to improve the wider society that we all live and work in. So we are having a follow up workshop **on January 21st from noon to 2 pm**. Please know that you are warmly invited to participate.

At the November meeting, the group whittled down the many options for Social Justice work to 4 causes:

1. Healthcare and mental healthcare
2. Health and welfare of women and girls
3. Poverty
4. Health and mental healthcare of the elderly

These all fall under the umbrella of **health and mental healthcare**.

At our upcoming workshop after church on January 21st from noon to 2pm, we will make important decisions about:

1. What we hope to achieve by this work (personally, within the NSUC community, and within the wider community).
2. Which projects and charities we will connect with.
3. Who will do what, and in what time frame.

Questions we might ask ourselves as we anticipate this work:

1. What would make me feel good about doing this work?
2. What would success look like to me?
3. What organizations could I suggest we work with?
4. If the organization that I am bringing forward is not chosen by the group, am I still interested in supporting this work?
5. What would make me feel really GREAT about this initiative?

I am so looking forward to facilitating this important work.

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