

## FUSD ANNUAL COMMITTEE PLANNING FORM 2025-2026

<b>COMMITTEE NAME:</b>	<b>Stewardship Council</b>	<b>DATE: October 15, 2025</b>
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Why do we exist?	Bylaws ~ Article IX, Section 2 “To build community and coordinate the church’s fundraising activities to leverage volunteers & staff effectively, minimize duplication of effort, & prioritize activities.” To educate and inform the congregation about pledging and gifting FUSD.	
<b>OUR OBJECTIVES:</b> What key things must happen to accomplish our purpose?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hire &amp; train Stewardship Coordinator</li> <li>2. Annual pledge drive in Feb/March,</li> <li>3. Maintain Legacy Society</li> <li>4. New Member interface with Connections &amp; Engagement</li> <li>5. Increase SC follow up with non-pledgers</li> </ol>	
<b>KEY STRATEGIES:</b> What things must we do to meet our objectives? What, How, How much, How Often.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Solicit &amp; train 50-65 Ambassadors</li> <li>2. Hire &amp; train a SC Coordinator</li> <li>3. Find some additional SC members</li> <li>4. Continue to meet monthly (or more) to accomplish our objectives</li> <li>5. Eat our Wheaties – guard against SC “burn-out”</li> </ol>	
<b>KEY CONCERNS:</b> What problems will we face? What issues must we mitigate to accomplish our purpose?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lack of stability in SC Coordinator position and inadequate data entry</li> <li>2. Widespread reluctance in Congregation to talk about money issues</li> <li>3. Lack of SC members and volunteers</li> <li>4. Succession Planning up in the air</li> </ol>	
<b>EXCITEMENT:</b> What passion do we bring to this effort? What is it that motivates us to undertake this adventure?	We are driven by our passion for ensuring financial stability for FUSD through the generous gifts of our members/friends. We share this passion with every member/friend of FUSD during the annual pledge campaign and other fund-raising events. We believe a component of our activities is to educate our congregation of the importance of supporting FUSD through their financial and volunteer commitments. We are moving towards more education of the Congregation as a whole, and a more “values based” pledge drive and “Culture of Philanthropy”. What motivates us? Responsibility towards this church we love.	
<b>MEASURES:</b> How will we know we succeeded?	Progress towards all 5 of our objectives (key strategies) above	
<b>INTERCONNECTION:</b> What other committees do we interconnect with?	FC, BOT, Connections, Member Engagement,	
<b>SUCCESSION PLANNING:</b>	None at present time	
<b>IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES:</b>	Hiring new SC Coordinator - ASAP Endowment grant for legacy brochure & lit rack – asking for an extension into 2026 Legacy Recognition Event in June Feb 22, 2026 = Stewardship Sunday	
<b>EXISTENCE/LOCATION OF KEY DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS:</b>	Moving towards church Google drive as repository for important SC documents.	
<b>ROLES &amp; RESPONSIBILITIES:</b> Who does what on the committee?	<b>Role</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>
	<b>Chair/Co-chair</b>	<b>Lynn Garman, Kathy Aguirre</b>
	<b>Secretary</b>	Shared among SC members
	<b>BOT liaison</b>	Mike Cranmer