

First Parish Church of Groton

Direct IRA Giving

Thank you for considering a direct gift from your IRA to FPCOG, a tax-wise approach available to individuals aged 70 ½ or above.

To proceed, you will need to work through the financial institution that manages your IRA. They most likely have a form you will need to complete, so to get started, contact them and request instructions. Be sure to spell out FPCOG's full legal name, as "First Parish Church of Groton, Unitarian Universalist," and supply the mailing address below. Should FPCOG's tax ID be required, it is: 04-2195416. You also need to specify whether the gift should go to the "Endowment Fund" or to the "Ministerial Fund" if that is your wish. Otherwise your gift will go directly to the Church with the purpose to be determined by the Leadership Board of First Parish at the time of receipt.

Per IRS regulations, the gift must go directly from the financial institution to FPCOG, without passing through your personal bank account.

Please notify the office (office@uugroton.org) that your gift is on the way, so they can be on the lookout for it. Please inform them how you want your gift allocated, for example, perhaps some as your Renewal of Giving for the current year, and the remainder to the Endowment Fund? Within the Endowment, you may choose "The Silver Hammer Fund," which helps pay for major capital improvements to FPCOG church buildings, or "The Hands to the World Fund," which furthers FPCOG's social action work. Or you may opt to leave your gift as undesignated endowment, knowing that such flexibility strengthens FPCOG.

If you have questions about this IRA direct giving approach, feel free to reach out to any Endowment Board member. The church office (office@uugroton.org, 978-448-6307) can point you to the current volunteers.