

# Advocating Faith Communities Registration and Commitment Form

To register your Advocating Faith Community with Faith Action Network (FAN), please complete this form (front and back) and mail it to the address below.

**Name and Address of Faith Community:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**1. Designate one or two Advocacy Leaders in your faith community to be the primary liaison(s) between your faith community and FAN.**

Name _____	Name _____
Email _____	Email _____
Address _____	Address _____
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Phone _____	Phone _____

**2. Identify at least five (5) Advocacy Actions of those listed on the other side of this page that your faith community will complete or has already completed. We encourage you to complete at least one (1) from each of the three categories.**

*We know that there are many other ways that your commitment to public advocacy can be shown, whether in your community, in your county, or throughout the state of Washington. Please use the other lines to list commitments you are making that are not listed.*

**3. Obtain the affirmation of the faith community (e.g., congregational vote or council vote), symbolized by the signature of a faith community representative (e.g., council president).**

*This faith community publicly affirms its identity as a community of the faithful who serve all people, and who strive for justice and peace in the entire world. We pledge to lift up our faith community's voice in collective advocacy with and on behalf of neighbors who are marginalized, impoverished, or oppressed. We intend to partner with the Faith Action Network and with other advocating faith communities. As we do this advocacy work, we recognize that there may be multiple solutions to problems, and we respect the conclusions that all individuals make regarding how best to become involved.*

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Faith Community	Faith Community Representative	Date

**4. Send this completed form to:** Faith Action Network  
 3720 Airport Way S  
 Seattle, WA 98134

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## Advocacy Actions

Please complete at least five (5) of the following advocacy actions and check the appropriate circles. We strongly encourage you to complete at least one (1) from each category.

We at FAN want to be a resource for you and a partner with you in your advocacy. We are available to help you develop your advocacy plan. As you complete these advocacy actions, we invite and encourage you to keep in contact with us at 206-625-9790 or fan@fanwa.org.

### ***Education to Spread Awareness of Advocacy Issues***

- Invite a FAN staff person to preach during worship or lead an adult education class.
- Convene a study with a focus on examples of advocacy in our sacred texts.
- Arrange for a presentation about current public policy issues in an adult education class.
- Study the Social Statements of our faith partners in an adult education class.
- Keep advocacy visible within the faith community by including it in the monthly newsletter of the congregation, as well as in other publications such as bulletins, signboards, and websites.
- Join with other faith communities in sponsoring a community educational forum.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Public Action to Plead the Cause of Those Suffering Injustice***

We ask you to develop a faith community statement of what advocacy means to you, and an advocacy plan for the year that commits to Advocacy Actions listed here or others you are already doing.

- Send one or more people to Interfaith Advocacy Day as faith community representatives.
- Form a Rapid Response Team to mobilize the faith community to receive and respond to e-advocacy alerts from FAN, especially during the legislative session.
- Hold an offering of letters to federal, state, or local elected officials.
- Lead or promote voter registration in the community surrounding the place of worship.
- Join with other local faith communities in hosting public officials at a community forum.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Financial Support of Faith Action Network***

- Send three or more people to FAN's Annual Fundraiser as representatives of the faith community.
- Collect a special offering for FAN.
- Make FAN a line item in the faith community's annual budget.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_