

(All these resolutions were passed in March of 1987.)

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH TO CONSIDER FOR SANCTUARY:

(More than one may be passed.)

1. As individual members of the Unitarian Church of San Jose, we will make only personal decisions about the sanctuary issue.
2. We will encourage all those wishing to take an active role in the sanctuary movement to pursue these goals through the social concerns committee.
3. First Unitarian Church of San Jose will participate indirectly in the sanctuary movement by raising money to assist churches who have adopted refugees and by encouraging individual participation.
4. We the members of the First Unitarian Church of San Jose resolve to take a public stand against our government's policy of refusing asylum to refugees fleeing Central America.

This will include such legal activities as advocacy for the Moakley-Deconcini bill.

5. First Unitarian Church of San Jose will participate in the sanctuary movement by joining the South Bay Sanctuary Covenant and will pledge a fixed amount per month to SBSC. The congregation will name two delegates to the coalition who will be given specific directions as to the commitments they may make in the name of First Unitarian Church of San Jose.
6. The First Unitarian Church of San Jose declares itself to be a public sanctuary for persons from El Salvador and Guatemala who are being denied asylum in the United States in violation of the United Nations Refugee Protocols adopted by Congress as law in 1980. This congregation will provide support, protection and advocacy to these refugees to the best of our ability.
7. The First Unitarian Church of San Jose declares itself to be a public sanctuary for persons from El Salvador and Guatemala who are being denied asylum in the United States in violation of United Nations Refugee Protocols adopted by Congress as law in 1980. The First Unitarian Church of San Jose will adopt one or more refugees or refugee families and assume responsibility for finding them housing, food, clothing, jobs, and any other appropriate assistance.