

Lifespan Religious Education Committee (LREC)

The purpose of the Heartland District LREC is to support and assist district churches and their professional and volunteer religious educators in providing high quality religious education programs for children, youth, and adults.

Each year, the LREC provides a variety of opportunities to accomplish this purpose which may include:

Training & Professional Development

- Renaissance Modules
- Workshops at the District Assembly
- Professional Day at the District Assembly
- Lifespan *Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education* facilitator training
- Other trainings as needed

Support for Religious Education Programs

- Lending Library of religious education materials
- Scholarships for religious educators to attend trainings and workshops
- Consulting services
- Recognition of religious education excellence in the District
- Mentoring of new religious education professionals

Networking Opportunities

- E-mail list serve for District religious educators
- Monthly regional cluster meetings for religious educators (see website calendar)
- Gatherings at the District Assembly and the UUA General Assembly
- Collaboration with local Liberal Religious Educators Association (LREDA) Chapter

Links with Other District Programs and Groups

- Support RE representative on District Youth Steering Committee (DYSC)
- Organize gathering with Heartland UU Ministers Association (HUUMA) at the District Assembly
- LREC representative as member of District Leadership Council
- Collaboration with Young Adult Campus Ministry Committee (YACM) leaders
- Promotes healthy connection with HUUMA

LREC Job Description

- Participate in monthly phone committee meetings
- Attend the LREC meeting at the District Assembly
- Complete officer duties or agree to co-coordinate one training per year
- Help plan and promote the annual trainings, activities and budget
- Work with committee members to recommend policies to the District Executive
- Work with committee members to create procedures as necessary
- Help oversee the District RE Lending Library
- Determine recipient of Anne Miller Award
- Committee chair serves on District Leadership Council

Rotating Positions:

- Chair - 2-year position
- Post Chair Mentorship - 1 year
- Chair Elect - 1 year
- Secretary - 2 years
- Treasurer - 2 years
- DYSC Rep - 2 years
- List Serve Manager - 2 years