

First UU Newsletter

**Recruiting Volunteer Speakers for the Little Library Communities,
A Justice Coordinating Committee Initiative**

The Justice Coordinating Committee is initiating Little Library Communities in neighborhoods that have had their school libraries removed by the Houston School District and/or where Houston Public Libraries are temporarily closed. School boards and the State have banned books that most often represent and connect to culturally diverse children.

The first action step in this Initiative is to recruit volunteers to speak to Houston Super Neighborhoods or individual civic associations. The first community meetings are on October 8th at Super Neighborhood #52, Kashmere Gardens, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., and in Third Ward Home Civic Association 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Eldorado Ballroom.

A 30-minute training session for volunteers about the details of the Little Library Initiative will be held before scheduling speakers. The ultimate goal for the Little Library Communities is to offer reading materials to communities with little public access to culturally diverse books and transition the control of Little Libraries to the communities.

If you are interested in volunteering to speak to community organizations about the Little Library initiative, please email Sheila Whitford at sdwhit800@gmail.com, and enter the subject title Little Libraries.