

# Alternative Gifts 2023



**T**he Mission Committee invites you to give your friends special gifts this year by making a donation on their behalf to organizations working to address pressing needs in our community, region, and world. Make any donation and you will receive a greeting card and envelope ready for mailing. The cards include the descriptions below of how each group is putting faith into action.



***Arm in Arm***  
The Gift of Hope

Arm in Arm partners with the community to achieve stability for our neighbors in need through the three focus areas of food, financial assistance for housing, and advocacy.



***Capital Harmony Works***  
The Gift of Joy

Capital Harmony Works gives children the chance to make music together and provides an artistic venue by which children from different backgrounds get to know each other.



***Cetana Educational Foundation***  
The Gift of Language

Cetana serves the youth of Myanmar by providing scholarships for higher education.



***Churches for Middle East Peace***  
The Gift of Peace

This coalition of more than 30 national church denominations and organizations works to encourage U.S. government policies that actively promote a just, lasting, and comprehensive resolution of the Israeli–Palestinian conflict.



***HomeWorks***  
The Gift of Academic Enrichment

HomeWorks is a non-profit organization providing a free, community-based, after-school, residential living program for underrepresented high school young women in Trenton, empowering its scholars with academic enrichment, social skills and identity-driven leadership programs and developing them to be social justice advocates who will give back to their community.

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## **Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund**

The Gift of Welcome

LALDEF provides advocacy and services for the immigrant communities in Mercer County, including ESL education, the Mercer County Identification Card, citizenship instruction, college preparation mentoring, and legal support for immigration issues.

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## **Paul Robeson House**

The Gift of Justice

The Paul Robeson House of Princeton will provide a center focused broadly on social justice issues and, locally, for the minority population of the Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood of Princeton. It will also provide temporary housing for people in transition.

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## **Princeton Community Housing**

The Gift of a Home

Princeton Community Housing has supported affordable housing to the Princeton Community for over 50 years. They provide and manage hundreds safe, high quality rental apartments to low and moderate-income residents of diverse backgrounds and ages.

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## **Trenton Area Soup Kitchen**

The Gift of Nourishment

Trenton Area Soup Kitchen provides meals to all who are hungry as well as services to encourage self-sufficiency and to improve quality of life. The group informs the wider community of the needs of the hungry and advocates for resources to meet these needs.

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## **Villages in Partnership**

The Gift of Teamwork

One of Nassau's international Mission Partners, Villages in Partnership is fighting extreme poverty in rural Malawi by training and equipping villages to work together in meeting their own needs.

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## **Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church**

The Gift of Legacy

WSPC is the historically African-American Presbyterian congregation in Princeton and is an important beacon of welcome and justice in the community. Give toward WSPC's endowment to support their legacy of faithfulness and racial reconciliation.

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## **Woman, Cradle of Abundance**

The Gift of Empowerment

Woman, Cradle of Abundance works with women and children in the Democratic Republic of Congo to fight poverty by providing education and community that supports economic independence.

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*All funds distributed directly to the recipient program.*