In 1876, Dr. Felix Adler founded a new movement to work toward the advancement of social justice for all based upon ethical values. He encouraged members to express their consciences through moral and humane actions. These principles remain the core of Ethical Culture today.

Our members founded:

- Ethical Culture Fieldston School
- District Nursing Department (Forerunner of Visiting Nurse Service)
- Child Study Association
- US Settlement House Movement
- Encampment for Citizenship
- Blythedale Children's Hospital
- First Free Kindergarten
- National Ethical Service

Our members helped establish:

- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- American Civil Liberties Union
- International Humanist and Ethical Union
- National Urban League
- Visiting and Teaching Guild for Crippled Children
- National Child Labor Commission
- Legal Aid Society
- Planned Parenthood Clinics
- International Partners
- New York Committee to Abolish Capital Punishment

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We train future humanist leaders to promote responsible and ethical living.

Growing Community
National Assemblies
Members gather annually to connect with each other, learn more about Ethical Culture, and explore a social justice theme.

Conferences & Workshops
Educators, teenagers, young adults, and Society committees are able to discuss their views and inspire new ideas for the Movement and the world.

National Leaders Council
& Presidents Council
Our Society Leaders and Presidents meet and correspond regularly to develop and share resources that will assist our Societies.

Ethical Education
Our curriculum fosters the development of engaged global citizens and powerful ethical leaders of all ages.

Ethical Action
Acknowledging human responsibility for solving human problems, we organize our Movement to act towards solutions on various issues.

Creating an Ethical World
The American Ethical Union creates, nurtures, and inspires ethical humanist communities to foster a world that is democratic, compassionate, just, and sustainable.

We represent Ethical Culture through:
- Resolutions and Public Statements
- Amicus Briefs
- Online Presence
- Marches and Rallies
- Social Justice Coalitions
- National and International Humanist Organizations
- National Ethical Service (United Nations NGO)
- United Religions Initiative

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