



## ANNUAL SOCIETY REPORT

### Society Report for Ethical Humanist Society of Asheville-

President: James R. Tobin

#### Updates for 2018:

#### Ethical Action:

**Racial Justice:** Participated in the national YWCA Stand Against Racism as a sponsor of the development of artistic works themed “No Hate, No Fear: Triumph and Struggle in the Quest for Home, Family, Community and Culture”, an art exhibit and opening reception. Supported the M.L. King, Jr. Association by purchasing a table at their Breakfast and an ad in the souvenir program book.

**Economic Justice:** Financial contribution to Green Opportunities (GO), an organization which provides job related skill training and hands on job training in carpentry/green trades and food preparation to at risk and hard to employ populations.

**Homelessness:** Continued collaboration with Homeward Bound, a local nonprofit organization that works to eliminate homelessness by participating in their Room in the Inn program, which provides housing, meals, transportation and overnight onsite availability. Half of our contributions from platform meetings alternate between going to this organization and Green Opportunities.

**Education:** Provided a grant from our endowment fund to the Asheville City Schools Foundation Scholarship Fund.

**Food Insufficiency:** Participated in the Crop Walk, providing food locally and internationally.

**Good Cheer:** Provided Christmas gifts for children at Aliada Home.

**Ethical Education:** Continued program for adults offering our second Nonviolent Communication full day training.

**Communications:** We continue to have volunteer members serving as webmaster and PR personnel. We use Meetup, email notification and Facebook, an online Community Calendar, as well as free listings in four area newspapers and a paid ad in the annual M.L. King, Jr. Breakfast booklet (attendance approximately 2,000).

**Finances:** Small amounts in Building and Endowment Funds. EHSA remains financially fit.

**Membership:** Remains stable at 26

**Goals for 2019:** Add variety to Adult Ethical Education offerings, add to program offerings (monthly social & games, and discussion & potluck meal events) Increase membership!