

AHC Core Beliefs

Social

- We believe that humans have a fundamental need for social connection and belonging which is often unmet in modern society, particularly among secular people.
- We foster deep and meaningful interactions between people, leading to long term friendships and a durable sense of belonging.
- We strive to create a safe space for like-minded people to share ideas and support one another through personal growth and life's challenges.
- We believe that humanism is especially suited to foster a sense of community and shared values while respecting people's individuality.

Culture & Ethics

- We value inclusion, openness, and diversity.
- We believe that humans can become more ethical and moral through reason and compassion, not coercion.
- We value democracy and egalitarianism.
- We maintain a culture of respect and compassion for one another and the larger world and reject all forms of harassment and abuse.
- We are welcoming to newcomers while remaining clear and firm in our values.

Impact

- We take seriously our ethical responsibility to the wellbeing of humans, animals, and our environment.
- We strive to provide opportunities for our members to make a positive impact on their community and the world through volunteerism and role modeling.
- We as an organization strive to make a positive impact on the broader community and the world.
- We seek to normalize humanism by raising public awareness of humanist values and demonstrating these values through ethical behavior and volunteerism.

- We empower our members to talk about their beliefs openly by offering a safe space for open discussion.

Personal Growth

- We want to learn how to apply humanist values, principles, and approaches to our own lives to become more ethical and effective individuals.
- We believe that humanism provides a framework for pursuing a healthy, ethical, and fulfilling life.
- We believe that humanist philosophy provides a pathway for finding meaning in life without supernaturalism.
- Humanism began as an artistic movement – as such, we embrace the arts via music, visual arts, storytelling, and other mediums.
- We strive to provide well produced, quality educational content for our members and visitors.

Reason and Science

- We are non-dogmatic, seeking to develop worldviews, resolve disagreements, and solve problems through empirical and rational inquiry.
- We value the scientific method and critical thinking to find answers to questions about the natural world and the universe and accept that there is much that we don't yet know.
- We believe that reason and knowledge are advanced best through experimentation, open discourse, and collaboration.