

# A.D. BRUCE RELIGION CENTER



## Student Fees Advisory Committee (SFAC) Presentation for FY 2018 - 2019

# Our Mission

The A.D. Bruce Religion Center embraces and celebrates the religious and spiritual diversity of the University of Houston in support of interfaith dialogue.

# Our Vision

## The A.D. Bruce Religion Center

...will provide the University and the greater Houston community a safe and supportive space for religious and spiritual exploration and the celebration of cultural diversity.

...will encourage personal, ethical and character development, intellectual engagement and the voluntary exercise of religious and spiritual beliefs.

...will promote inter-faith understanding and appreciation through education, cultural programming and activities.



*“Exclude religion entirely from education  
and you have no foundations  
upon which to build moral character.”*

**Andrew Davis Bruce**      **1894 – 1969**

- American Academic and Soldier
- Served as the 3<sup>rd</sup> President of the University of Houston
- Served in WW I and WW II
- Founded Ft. Hood, Texas
- France, Philippines and US have awarded Gen. Bruce service medals
- Interred in Arlington National Cemetery
- Served as Chancellor / President of UH – 1954 - 1961

# FY17 One Time Funding

## Roof Replacement Project Update

**December 2016**

**One Time funding approved** for Roof Replacement Project

**January 2017**

**Facilities, Planning and Construction** changed project managers

**February 2017**

- After reviewing the initial study from October 2016, the new project management team placed the Roof Replacement Project **on hold**
- Determined that a 2<sup>nd</sup> more **in depth study** was required to determine structural integrity of the Religion Center
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> study had to be completed **before a final approval** could be given for the Roof Replacement Project





**March - April 2017**

Work began in and around the Religion Center

**May 2017**

Study completed and 2<sup>nd</sup> Report submitted

- The second report addressed concerns that the soil base around and under the Religion Center was very wet
- Requested a camera scoping of the pipes to determine if the leaking was from the Religion Center or UH drains and pipes



Seepage from under the building  
saturated soil

### Results of the scoping discovered

- UH drain pipe ran under the Religion Center
- A portion of the drain pipe had collapsed

### Recommendation

- Cap the broken end of the drain pipe
- Reroute the drain pipe around the Religion Center

Another team, **Facilities Services**, became responsible for the new drain pipe project and had to secure approval and funding from their budget.



Rain water still standing  
48 hours later



# Accomplishments - FY17



- Final approval from FP&C for Roof Replacement Project
- Replaced and upgraded building traffic counting system
- Expanded Friday Jumma space to include entire 2<sup>nd</sup> floor
- Memorandum of Understanding [MOU ] for Resident Ministries and RSOs that have offices in the Religion Center, and Non-Resident Ministries in CMA

# WE ARE Here

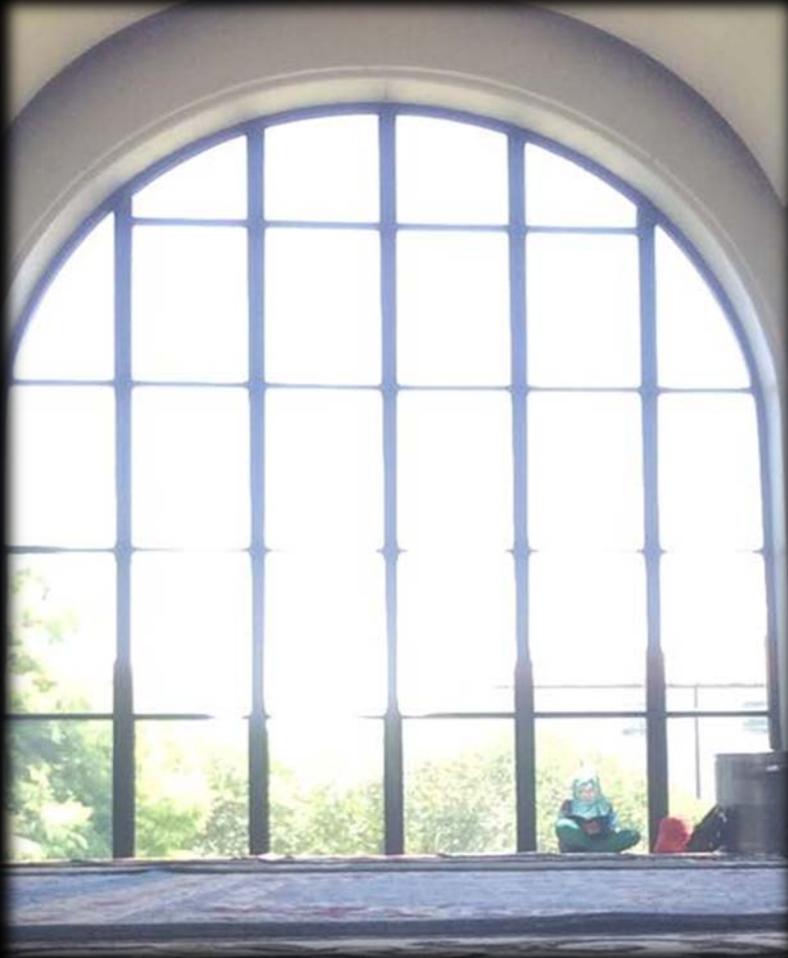
- Reviewed and updated reservation policies to generate additional income
- Received lobby benches gift from Houston Hillel
- Developed the **We Are Here** Marketing Campaign

*If you are hungry...*  
*If you seek quiet...*  
*If you want to meditate...*  
*If you want to reflect...*  
*If you are at a crossroad...*  
*If you want to discover...*  
*If you are questioning...*  
*If you want to celebrate...*

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Campus Ministries Association

THE AD BRUCE RELIGION CENTER



A place for students...



For quiet meditation...



...or prayer



To meet...  
to gather...  
...and to share...





For service...  
to inform...  
...and even rehearse!

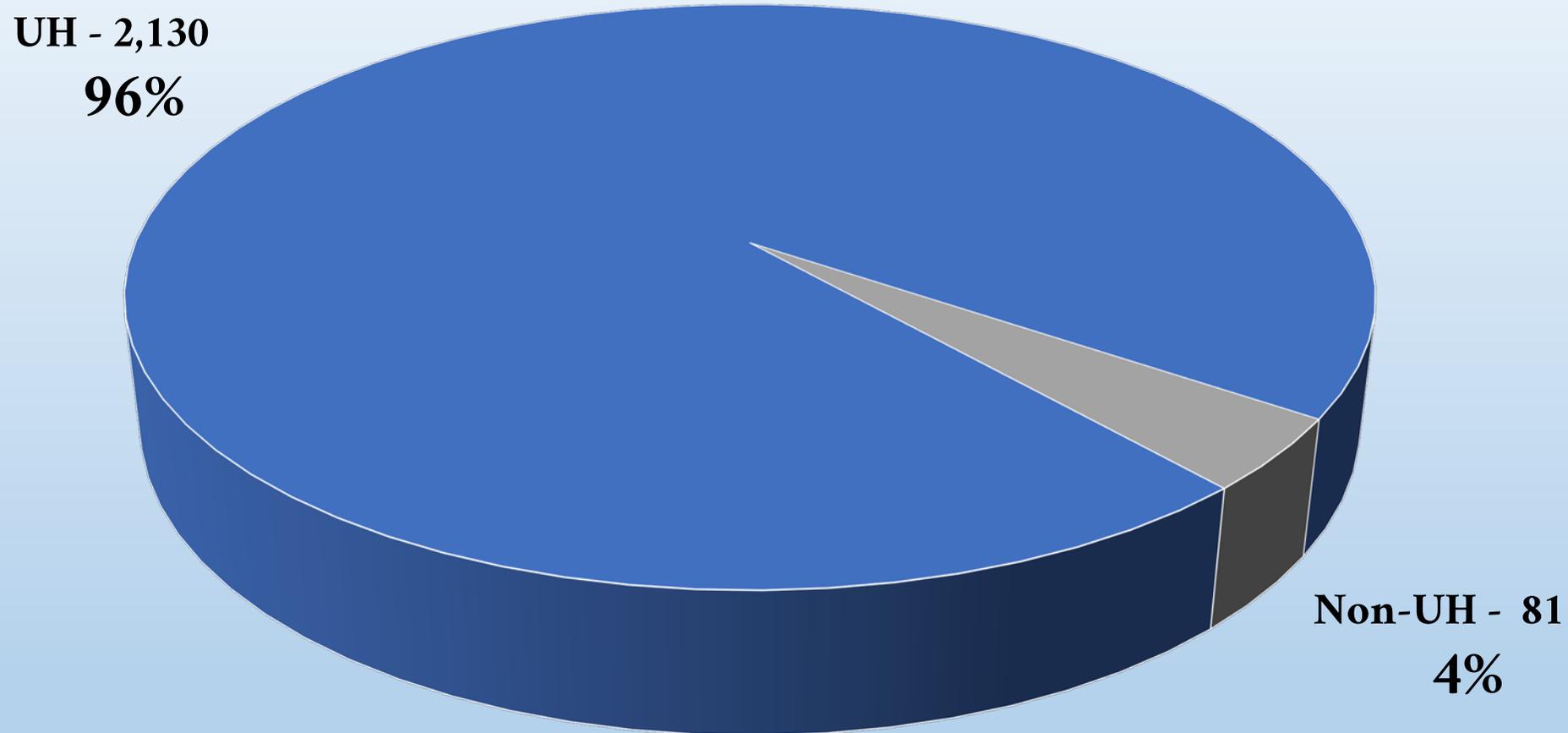




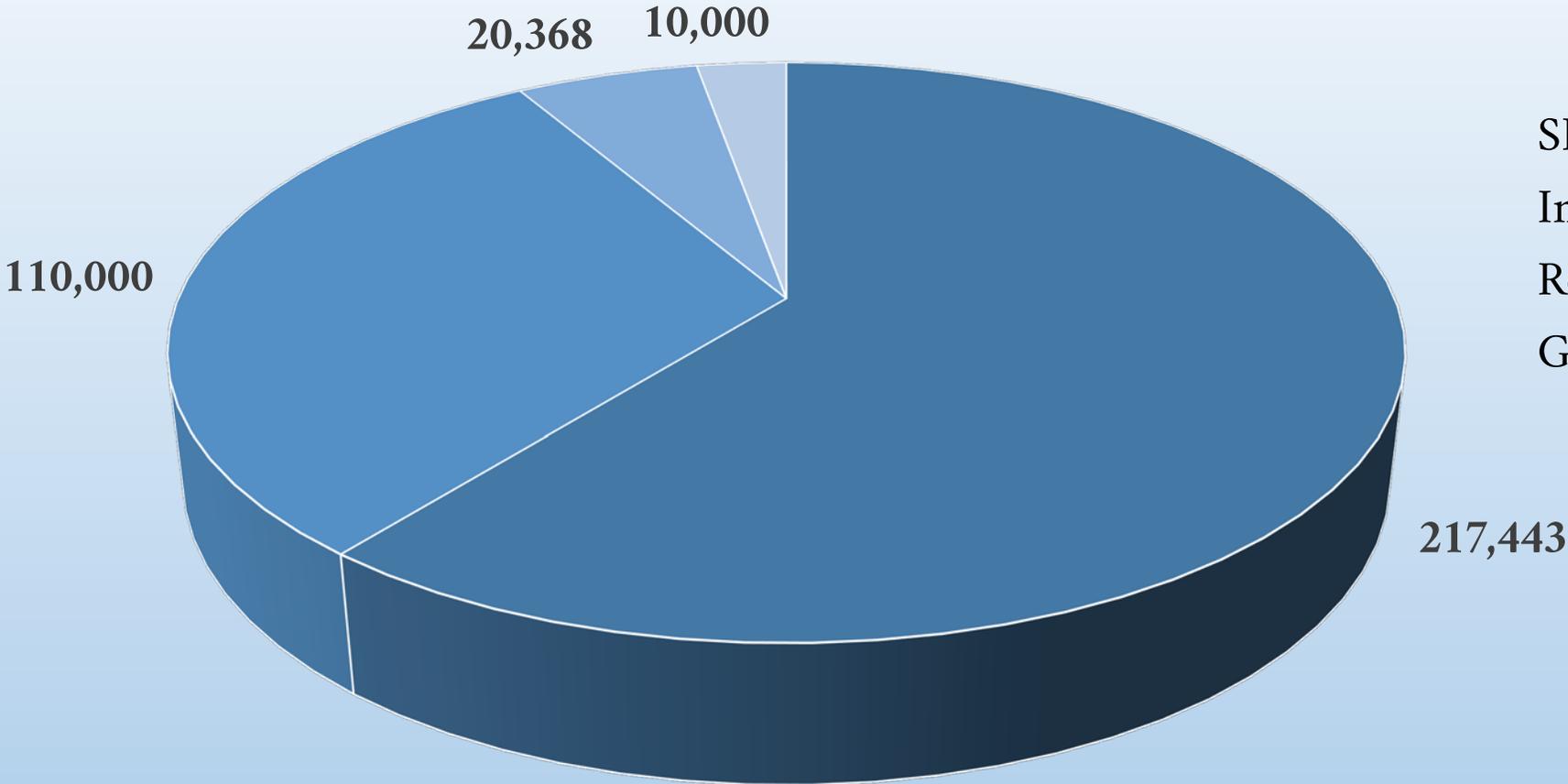
## A.D. Bruce Events - FY17

Special Events	153
Rehearsals	82
Weddings	79
Meetings	57
Receptions	13
Memorial Services	11
Funerals	2
Quinceanera	1

# UH vs. Non-UH Bookings FY17



# Funding Sources

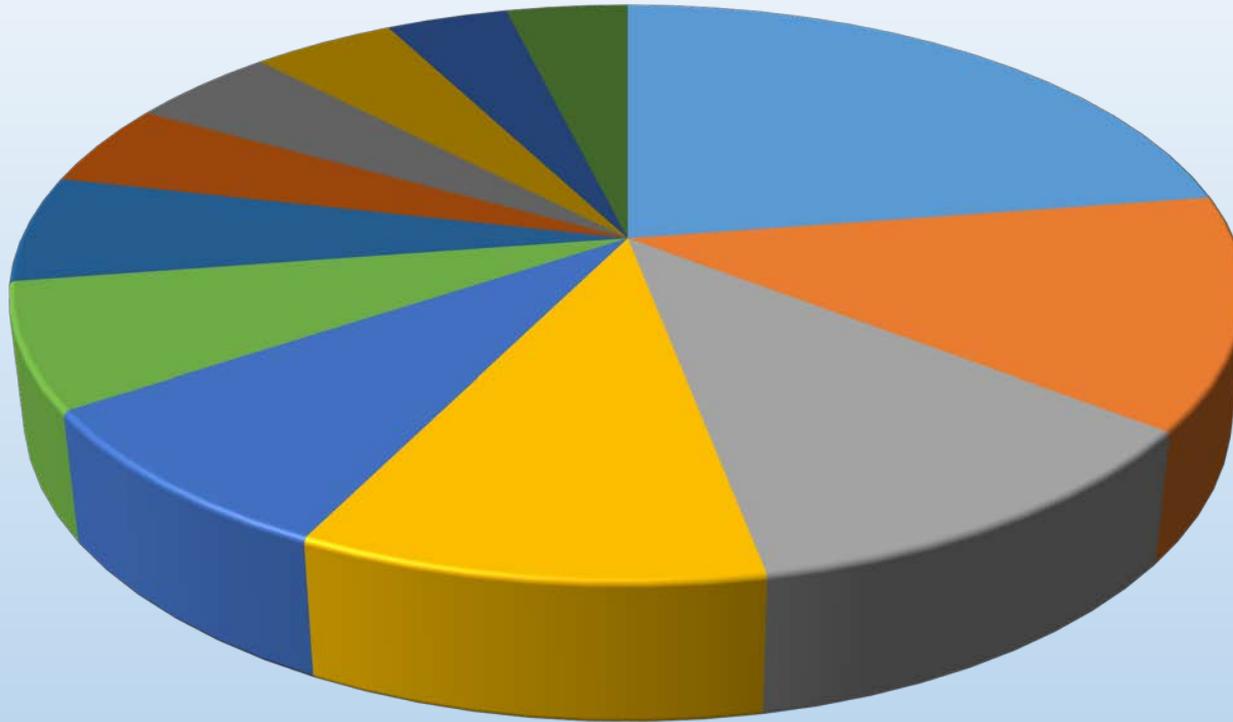


SFAC	60%
Income	31%
Rockwell	6%
Gifts	3%

# RSO Bookings – FY17

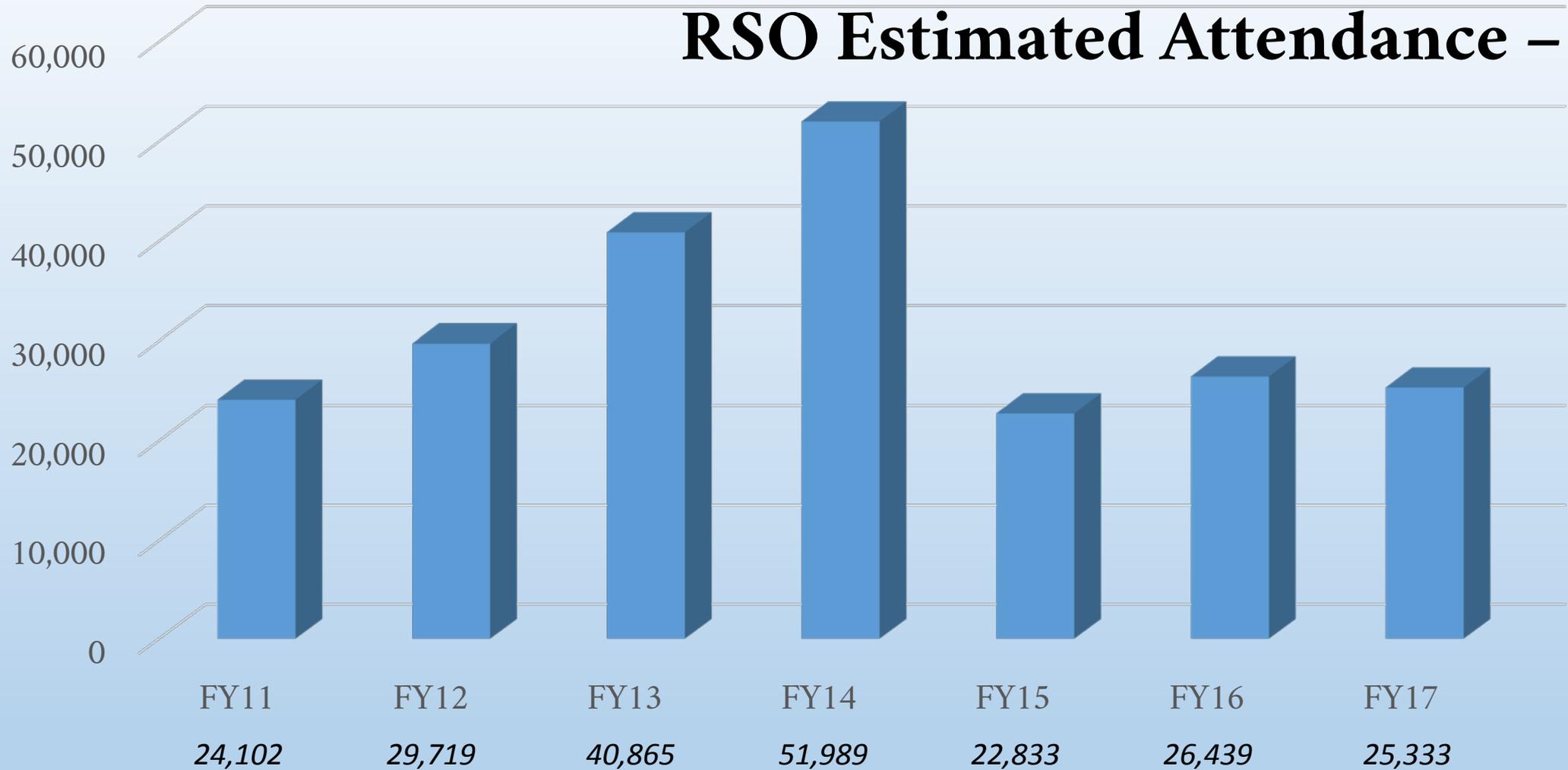


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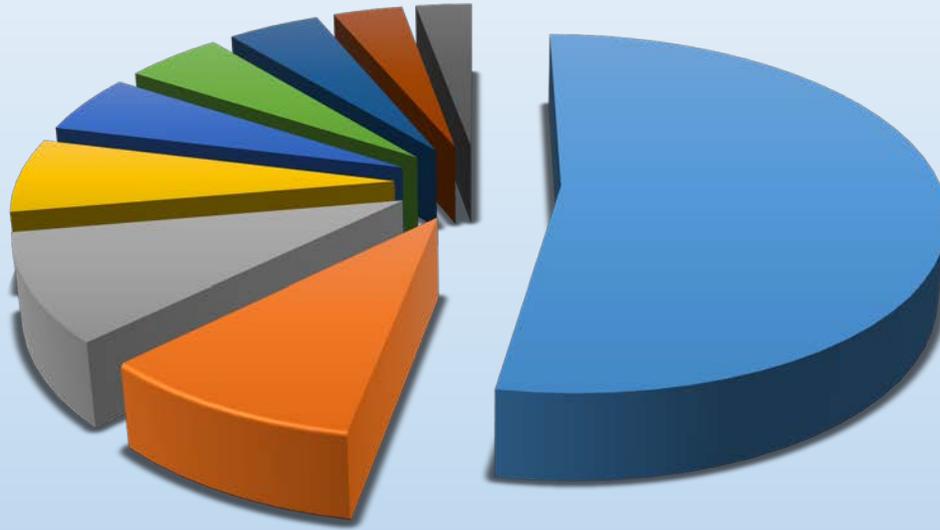


Muslim Students Association	136
Indian Students Association	78
Chi Alpha	69
Chinese Christian Fellowship	62
Redeemed Christian Church	50
International Christian Fellowship	42
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	36
Wesley Foundation	28
Sigma Tau Delta	28
Good News Gospel Choir	27
Zen Circle	23
Non-Music Majors Orchestra	23

# RSO Estimated Attendance – FY17



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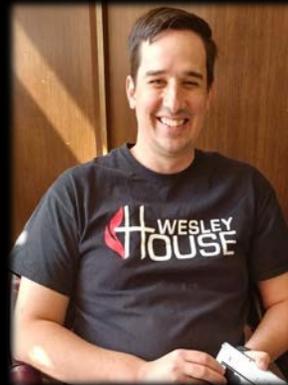


Muslim Students Association	11,616
Indian Students Association	2,130
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	2,120
Chinese Christian Fellowship	1,465
Redeemed Christian Fellowship	1,165
International Christian Fellowship	1,070
Chi Alpha	1,017
United Muslim Relief	765
Ahlul Bayt Student Organization	615

# RSO Event Hours– FY17



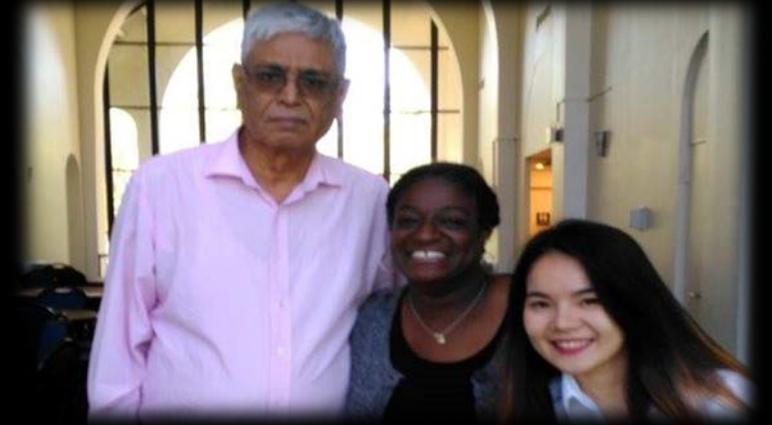
# Campus Ministries Association



# Campus Ministries Association Signature Programs

- Weeks of Welcome – Campus Prowl Open House
- Quiet Meditations – Daily from 8-10:00AM and 2-4:00PM
- InterFaith Week – February 12 – 19, 2017
- UH Day of Remembrance – March 7, 2017
- FREE Lunches on Wednesdays and Thursdays during the fall and spring semesters

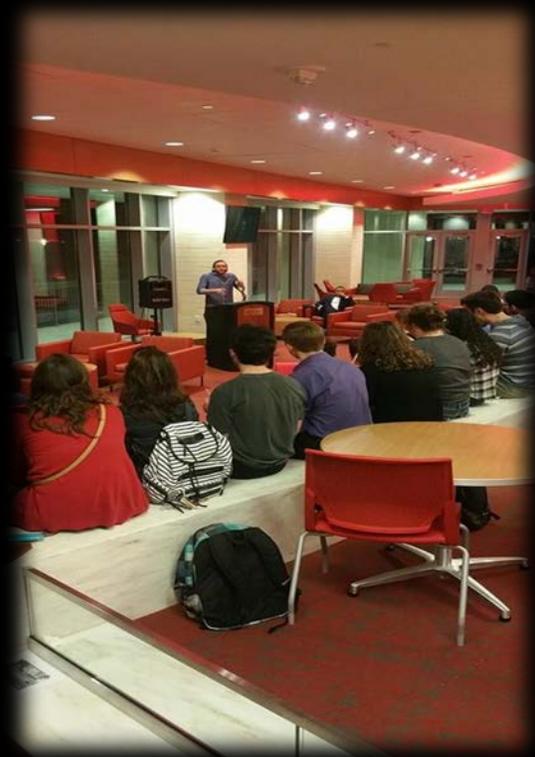
	FY 2016	FY 2017
Wednesday FREE Lunches	200-220	275-300
Thursday FREE Lunches	120-140	150-170





UH Day of Remembrance

InterFaith Week  
SERMON SLAM





Weeks of Welcome's  
**CAMPUS PROWL**  
Open House

**FREE Lunches**



# OUR Collaborations



Counseling and Psychological Services  
Center for Diversity and Inclusion  
LGBTQ Resource Center  
Center for Student Involvement  
Language and Cultural Center  
Creation Station  
Student Centers

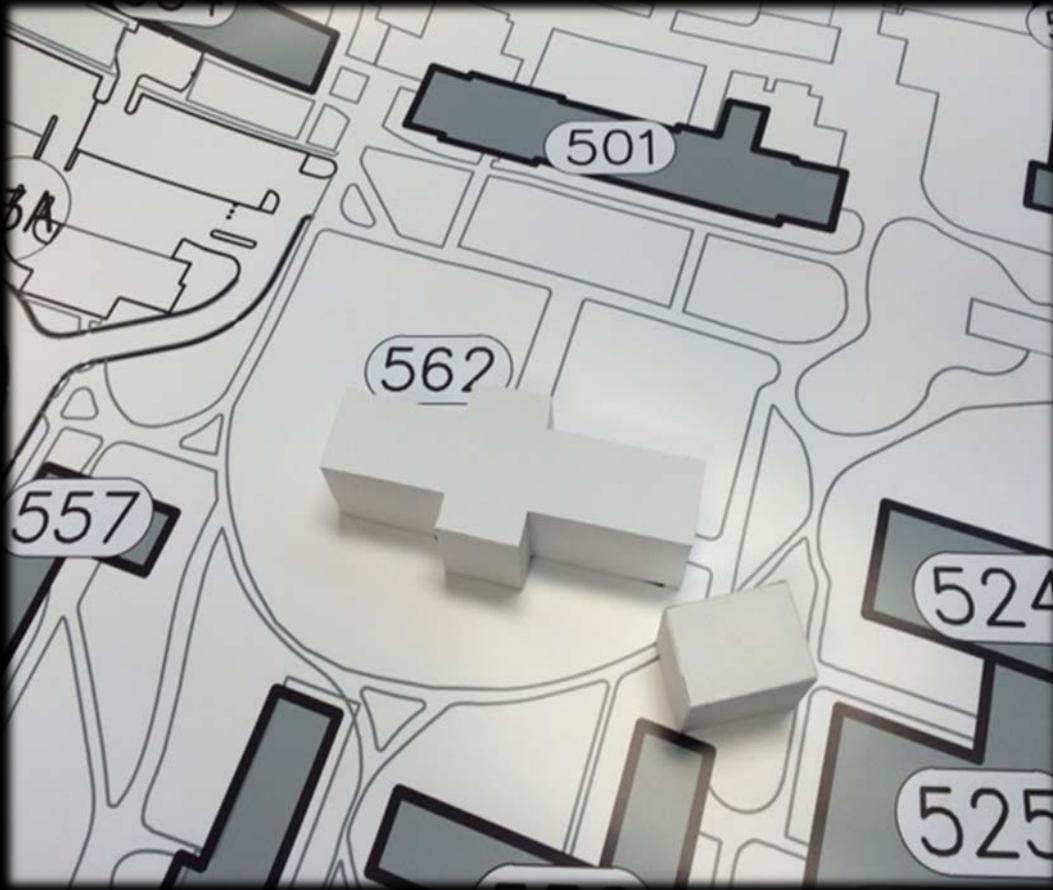
Student Government Association  
Faculty Senate  
Staff Council  
Dean of Students Office  
UH Alumni Association  
University Development  
Parking & Transportation  
UH Department of Public Safety  
Student Center Marketing  
DSAES – Marketing  
DSAES – Assessment  
Religious Studies  
Auxiliary Services  
Fire Marshal, Environmental  
Health and Food Safety Office  
Facility Services  
MetroClean





## Challenges and Concerns

- Do to changes in federal guidelines for admitting international students, there has been a decrease in enrollment for the Language and Culture Center  
  
Losing their presence = potential decrease of \$12,000 in revenue generated
- Available funding sources for the Religion Center's Restoration Project and the Transformation Project
- Unfilled DSAES Development Officer position
- Increased number of Work Orders to continually repair an aging facility = increased expenses



# Seeking Additional Funding Resources

**Developed and submitted a funding proposal for University Development**

**Revised UH Discount Categories for Paid Reservations**

- **Old Policy** – UH Faculty, Staff, Alumni ONLY
- **New Policy** – UH Faculty Staff, Alumni, and **their children**

**Annual Giving**

- Challenge to AD Bruce Staff and CMA to donate to the UH **Here, We Go** campaign and directed to the Religion Center

**Research**

- Monitoring *The Chronicle of Philanthropy* and other fund-raising resources

**No FY 18 *One Time* or  
FY19 *Base Augmentation* Requests**

# Thank You !











*If you seek solace...*



**WE  
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*If you want to celebrate...*



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*If you want to meditate...*



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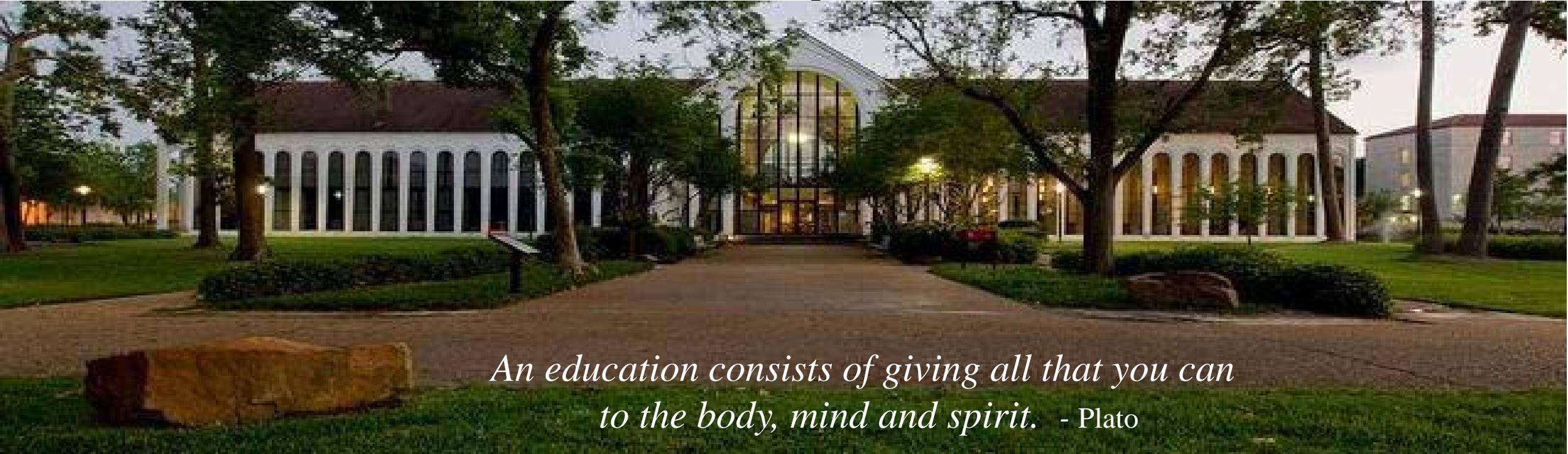
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# Thank you! ...

## ...Questions & Answers



*An education consists of giving all that you can  
to the body, mind and spirit. - Plato*

*If you are questioning...*



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