

קהלת מערב  
KEHILLAT  
THE WESTSIDE CONGREGATION MA'ARAV



2023-2024

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

# DEAR FRIENDS,

Another trip around the sun! Summer is coming! A new membership year is upon us! All kidding aside, this is one of my favorite times in the synagogue world. It signifies another year behind us and provides a retrospective of our creative programming, memorable family moments, and joyous celebrations. It allows us to look forward and see what might be new opportunities on the horizon.

In the weeks ahead, our students will be on summer break and our families on vacation; we'll welcome new staff and members into our community, and begin planning our return to the Skirball Cultural Center for the High Holidays. It's all on the way.

With that, YOU are a part of all that lies ahead this summer, this fall, and beyond. By renewing your membership at Kehillat Ma'arav, you affirm your commitment to your synagogue family and support our staff and lay leadership in continuing our common work. For that, we are so grateful.

Remember, the health and wellness of our sacred community requires contributions of ALL of us. We ask that your membership pledge this year be from the heart, and that you continue to make KM a philanthropic priority. As always, I welcome the opportunity to speak to each of you about membership this year, to answer any general questions or to address any financial concerns. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me for a chat; I'm here for you.

Finally, thank you (we can't say it enough!). Thank you for taking the time to actively renew your membership, checking that your information is correct, and helping our administrative team keep accurate membership records. Thank you for giving what you can, or for considering a Micah Society membership, especially this year. All contributions support our ability to welcome those who wish to join us, regardless of their own financial resources.

Thank you for being such an integral part of our synagogue family; you are what makes us "us."

L'chaim!



Kate Flanagan

Executive Director



# MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are so delighted that you have chosen to renew your commitment to Kehillat Ma'arav for the coming year and we thank you wholeheartedly for your generosity! Enjoying the intrinsic benefits of synagogue life is only possible with the common support of us all. However, we never want financial constraints to present a barrier to membership. For confidential requests for assistance with membership dues and Religious School tuition and fees, please contact our Executive Director, Kate Flanagan.

	Membership Dues	Building Fund	Security Fee	USCJ Membership	Total Membership Contribution
<b>Under 35</b>	For families, couples, and individuals where one adult submitted on the membership form is under the age of 35 as of July 1, 2023.				
Single	\$1,270	\$150	\$275	\$45	\$1,740
Couple/Family	\$2,070	\$150	\$275	\$90	\$2,585
<b>Ages 35-70</b>	For families, couples, and individuals where both adults submitted on the membership form are between the ages of 35 – 70 as of July 1, 2023.				
Single	\$1,860	\$150	\$275	\$45	\$2,330
Couple/Family	\$2,810	\$150	\$275	\$90	\$3,325
<b>Ages 71+</b>	For families, couples, and individuals where one adult submitted on the membership form is age 71+ as of July 1, 2023.				
Single	\$1,370	\$150	\$275	\$45	\$1,840
Couple/Family	\$2,240	\$150	\$275	\$90	\$2,755
<b>Associate</b>	For families, couples, or individuals that maintain dual (fully paid) membership at another synagogue.				
Single	\$1,030	\$150	\$275	\$45	\$1,500
Couple/Family	\$1,030	\$150	\$275	\$90	\$1,545

The **BUILDING FUND** fee is a separate charge that helps us meet the current and future facility improvements and major repairs. The Building Fund fee is a shared commitment taken on annually by the entire membership of Kehillat Ma'arav.

A **SECURITY FEE** of \$275 is billed to each membership unit/household to offset the cost of necessary security required for the protection of our members as well as our facility and sacred items.

A **CONTRIBUTION TO USCJ** is also included at the rate of \$45 for an individual and \$90 for family/couple. These funds are directed to the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, of which Kehillat Ma'arav is a supporting member, and help offset our own membership dues for the organization.

Religious School Tuition (per child)	
Gesher (PreK-1)	\$540
2-3	\$1,555
4-6	\$1,890
7	\$1,910
Teen Program	\$180
Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fee	\$2,000





# THE MICAH SOCIETY

A vibrant synagogue community relies on every member contributing financially to the best of their ability. At Kehillat Ma'arav, the Micah Society is a group of visionary members who contribute over and above the standard dues level and whose generosity strengthens our congregation for all who wish to pray, learn, and celebrate alongside us.

- 1 Supports the Jewish education of our next generation.
- 2 Provides financial support for those who cannot otherwise afford synagogue affiliation.
- 3 Enables KM to better meet the spiritual, educational and social needs of our entire community and beyond.
- 4 Reinforces our commitment to Jewish continuity.

All Micah Society Memberships include Membership Dues. Effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

## SPONSOR \$5,000

- Invitation to special Micah Society events throughout the year
- 15 Tribute or Memorial Cards per year at no additional charge
- 2 High Holiday Guest Tickets

## BENEFACTOR \$7,500

- Same as Sponsor PLUS
- 5 additional Tribute or Memorial Cards per year (total 20)
- 1 additional High Holiday Guest Ticket (3 total)

## PILLAR \$10,000

- Same as Benefactor PLUS
- 5 additional Tribute or Memorial Cards per year (total 25)
- 1 additional High Holiday Guest Ticket (4 total)
- Annual recognition in The Voice newsletter

## CHAI \$18,000

- Same as Pillar PLUS
- Unlimited Tribute or Memorial Cards per year
- 1 additional High Holiday Guest Ticket (5 total)
- 1 kiddush sponsorship per year

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# 2023–2024 KEHILLAT MA'ARAV MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## Step 1: About You (Please print clearly)

☐ Please check here if the pre-printed information below is correct. If not, please make corrections.

### Adult 1

Last Name

First Name

Birthdate

Hebrew Name

Nickname

Cell Number

Email

Address

Home Phone

Preferred method of communication

☐ Phone

☐ Email

Opportunities for Involvement Tell us what interests you!

#### Committees

- ☐ Adult Education
- ☐ Building & Security
- ☐ Ways & Means
- ☐ Finance / Investment
- ☐ Membership
- ☐ Religious School
- ☐ Ritual
- ☐ Social Action

#### Special Skills

- ☐ Accounting/Financial
- ☐ Chanting Torah
- ☐ Event Planning
- ☐ Hebrew Reading/Speaking
- ☐ Lectures
- ☐ Legal Expertise
- ☐ Musical Instruments
- ☐ Special Needs Assistance
- ☐ Teaching/Tutoring

#### Share Your Thoughts

1. What are you looking forward to most this year?

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2. Where/how would you like to feel more engaged at KM?

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3. Is there anything special you'd like to tell us about you (or your family)?

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### Adult 2

Last Name

First Name

Birthdate

Hebrew Name

Nickname

Cell Number

Email

Preferred method of communication

☐ Phone

☐ Email

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## Step 2: Select Your Membership Category (check one)

**Under 35** ☐ Single ☐ Family/Couple

**Ages 35-70** ☐ Single ☐ Family/Couple

**Ages 71+** ☐ Single ☐ Family/Couple

**Associate** ☐ Single ☐ Family/Couple

This year, I would like to support Kehillat Ma'arav and my fellow congregants by being a member of The Micah Society.  
(Please include this amount for your Membership dues in line "A" in Step 4 below.)

**Sponsor**

**Benefactor**

**Pillar**

**Chai**

☐ \$5,000

☐ \$7,500

☐ \$10,000

☐ \$18,000

## Step 3: Religious School Registration (if applicable)

**Tuition Amount**

Please refer to page 3 in the member booklet.

**Name**

**Hebrew Name**

**DOB**

**Secular School & Grade**

**Grade at KM**

Child #1

\$

Child #2

\$

Child #3

\$

Child #4

\$

Photo Release & Consent: During Kehillat Ma'arav Religious School classes and events, we will be taking video and photos of your children for our Parent Newsletters, RS photo walls, RS videos, website, advertising, social media, publicity, etc. We will not post your children's names, but we will use their likeness. This will remain in force unless otherwise revoked in writing.

I DO give permission for photographs and videos of my child and their artwork to be used by Kehillat Ma'arav for promotional purposes. Initials \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 4: Total Commitment

(Please refer to the membership support schedule on page 3 for fees by category.)

A. Membership Dues (or Micah level)

\$

B. Building Fund

\$ 150

C. Security Fee

\$ 275

D. USCJ Membership

☐ \$45 ☐ \$90 (check one)

E. Religious School Tuition (total of all children)

\$

(if applicable)

F. Additional Contribution (Thank you!)

\$

**TOTAL DUE 2023-2024 (A + B + C + D + E + F)**

\$

## Step 5: Indicate Payment Method

☐ I authorize Kehillat Ma'arav to charge my credit card for my entire Total Due for 2023-2024 now (1 payment).

☐ I will send a check for my entire balance by August 15, 2023 (1 payment).

☐ I will pay 50% of my balance by credit card now, and the remaining balance on or before December 15, 2023 (2 payments).

☐ I authorize Kehillat Ma'arav to charge my credit card on the 15th of each month in equal installments between now and June 15, 2024 (monthly payments).

I have read and understand the payment options listed. Initials \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the contribution noted above is for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024. I understand that this commitment does not include outstanding balances I may have, which shall be included in the payment plan above. Initials \_\_\_\_\_

### CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Name on Card

Billing Address (if different from other side)

Visa/Master/AMEX #

Expiration Date

CVV