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Starting  
August  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2023,  
the BSA will  
implement the  
following national  
membership fees  
which were approved  
by the National  
Executive Committee  
Starting August  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

- **\$80** for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting participants (\$5 increase)
- **\$60** for all adult volunteers (\$15 increase to provide general liability insurance and enhanced background checks)
- **\$25** one-time joining fee for new program participants in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting (Not prorated and no change in fee)
- **\$25** for Merit Badge Counselors (*New Fee applies only for Merit Badge Counselors not already registered as leaders*)
- **\$100** for a unit charter/affiliation fee (no change in fee)
- **\$15** for *Scout Life* magazine
- **\$50** for *Exploring* participants

## **New Annual Membership Fee Process Announced – BSA Will No Longer Prorate Fees for New Members beginning August 1, 2023**

Beginning August 1, 2023, all new youth and adult members who join Scouting will be enrolled in a 12-month membership cycle and BSA will cease prorating fees. Both youth and adults will pay the full annual membership fee and will renew their membership on the anniversary date of joining Scouting. All proration of membership fees will be eliminated. Each registered member of the BSA will receive an email notice with a registration renewal link beginning 60 days before the anniversary date they joined Scouting. Unit leaders will receive a copy of the email and should stay engaged in the membership renewal process just like rechartering.

# Member Anniversary Date

- It is important to note, existing members will renew their membership during their normal registration/recharter cycle through March 2024. Moving forward all members will renew on their anniversary date.
- Existing members' Anniversary date will be their unit recharter month.
- New members' Anniversary date will be the month they joined.
- All renewing member will show on the recharter roster as fee-paying members.
- All new members since August 1 will show on recharter rosters as pre-paid members.
- *Additional information on this membership renewal process will be forthcoming in the very near future.*

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What is driving the youth and adult membership fee increase?**

- General Liability Insurance costs to protect volunteer leaders, staff, charter organizations, units, and youth.
- BSA restructuring costs.
- Enhanced Criminal Background check processes and investments in Youth protection and safety programs.

## **What steps has the National Service Center taken to manage costs?**

- Completed a new staff structure and streamlined both the professional workforce and the volunteer structure, while maintaining essential services.
- Reduced the National staff workforce to support essential services.
- Reduced expenses throughout the National organization.

## What benefits and services are provided to the local council with the new fee?

- Expanded *General Liability Insurance protections* (GLIP) protections for Chartered Organizations and volunteers.
- Enhanced Criminal Background checks.
- Investments in BSA safety resources and training.
- The employment of a new Youth Protection Executive and support staff.
- The National Council provides the following essential services to councils:
  - The use of BSA Intellectual Property – Youth Safety, Cub Scouts, Scouts, BSA, Venturing, Camp Standards, Training and Program development etc.
  - Legal
  - Human Resources
  - Information Technology – Rechartering, Scout Book
  - Accounting Resources
  - Council Services Support
  - Membership & Marketing Support
  - Crisis Communications and support
  - Safety & Membership Standards Support
  - A variety of training support for youth and adult leaders
  - Health Insurance & Benefits

## What benefits and services are provided to the unit with the registration fee?

- Expanded *General Liability Insurance* protections for the chartered organization and unit leaders in the event of an incident.
- Program research and development including, Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Exploring.
- Access to Youth Protection Training, Incident Reporting and Scouts First Helpline: 1- 844-Scouts1.
- Access to leadership specific training for adult leaders.
- Investments in program literature and resource development.
- Ability to purchase Uniforms, Insignia and Recognition for youth and Adults.
- Provides access to Membership, Marketing, and Brand Center resources.
- Provides important technology support including Scout Book, on-line registration, on-line advancement, and rechartering, My. Scouting, BeAScout, and BSA Brand Center for digital assets.
- Access to the four BSA High Adventure Properties including Philmont Scout Ranch, Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier High Adventure Base, and the Summit Bechtel Reserve.

# Quivira Council Program Fee

- Quivira Council Program Fee is \$80 per renewing youth beginning August 1, 2023.
- **New youth are not charged the program fee for their first year of membership.**
- Beginning November 1, 2023, the \$80 will be automatically charged to each youth renewing on a unit recharter.
- The council recharter software has already been updated to add the program fee.
- Unit still has the option to pay for any member by paying at the council office. This is not available to units for members using the on-line application and payment process.
- Anyone asking for financial aid can either have the unit pay for them; or fill out the Black Pug event form for either KanCare or Council financial aid, receive a discount code, then use the on-line application and payment process.



# Member Payment Tracking

- Units will have access to reporting in My.Scouting for members due to renew, members renewed, and members dropped (opt-out)
- Units and members will receive notifications via email for members to be renewed and members who have renewed
- My.Scouting emails will be used for notifications
- Fees can be paid online with a credit card or directly to the council
- Unit still has the option to pay for any member by paying at the council office. This is not available to units for members using the on-line application and payment process.
- Anyone asking for financial aid can either have the unit pay for them; or fill out the Black Pug event form for either KanCare or Council financial aid, receive a discount code, then use the on-line application and payment process.

# Preliminary Timeline Dates

- All recharTERS must be submitted, approved, paid, and posted to the national database by close of business on **Feb. 29, 2024**. The current recharTER software may not be available after that date.
- Troops, ships, and crews will be due submitted, approved, and paid to the council **before December 31**.
- Packs will be due submitted, approved, and paid to the council **before January 31**.
- The above dates will provide time for the council to review and post the recharTERS to national before Feb. 29.
- Charter Renewals are business as usual until March 1, 2024
- Membership Renewal email notifications to members and Key 3 will begin 3 months before the 2024 member expiration date.
- New non unit scouter (council or district paid member) renews membership with district or council after Aug 1, 2023 ♦ Pays full yearly membership fee and renews on anniversary.
- Current non unit scouter will renew in December 2023 on the council or district roster.

# Charter Renewal Resources

- **Contact your District or Unit Commissioner for help with recharter *FIRST*.**

- The commissioners have the most time to devote to you and your unit.
- National Recharter Webpage – you can find the latest national news here.  
<https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/internet-rechartering>
- Council Recharter Webpage – you can find the latest council news here.  
<https://quivira.org/council-activity-policy/recharter/>

# How Annual Membership will look this year

## Unit View

Manage Members													Upload Document	Show: All Roster	Search by Name or Member ID
<input type="checkbox"/>		First Name ↑	Last Name ↓	Gender	DOB	Address	Member Type	Position ↑	Member ID	YPT	CBC Auth	Scout Life	Total		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Connor	Clifton	M	11/08/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Pamela	Clifton	F	04/23/2011	12345678901234567890	Adult	Committee Member	12345678901234567890	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 45.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Rhone	Coe	M	07/02/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 0.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Iason	Coleman	M	12/26/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 150.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		David	Collvins	M	01/12/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Zayden	Daley-Gillette	M	09/24/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 150.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Kasey	Oryer	F	09/02/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Lucas	Snyder	M	09/14/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Anderson	Starr	M	03/18/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Clifford	Starr	M	08/16/1981	12345678901234567890	Adult	Committee Member	12345678901234567890	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 0.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Maxwell	Swentek	M	06/22/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$ 150.00		
<input type="checkbox"/>		Lukas	Talbot	M	09/12/2011	12345678901234567890	Youth	Youth Member	12345678901234567890	--	--	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ 135.00		

Youth & Adults who have paid their 1-year registration, will be placed into a Council “holding” unit if their pack/troop/crew/ship/post/club drops, if they don’t transfer to a new unit.

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## Unit View

Recharter

Paperwork

Registration	Qty	Fee
Paid Youth	<u>8</u>	\$600.00
Pre Paid Youth	<u>2</u>	\$0.00
Multiple Youth	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Paid Youth SL	<u>3</u>	\$45.00
Pre Paid Youth SL	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Paid Adults	<u>3</u>	\$135.00
Pre Paid Adults	<u>2</u>	\$0.00
Multiple Adults	<u>3</u>	\$0.00
No Fee Adults	<u>1</u>	\$0.00
Paid Join Fee	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Paid Adult SL	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Pre Paid Adult SL	<u>1</u>	\$0.00
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Charter Fee		\$100.00
Council Fee		\$600.00
Administrative Fee		\$0.00
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TOTAL AMOUNT:		\$1,480.00



Council program fee will be shown here.

If you pay by electronic check or credit card from within the software, the fees will be shown here.