



UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF HOBOKEN

**Membership Application for the year
July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019**

WELCOME!

Who We Are

We are an informal and welcoming community committed to renewing vibrant, inclusive, and egalitarian Jewish life in the riverfront towns of Hudson County. We at USH are a vibrant mix of young singles, older singles, couples, families, empty nesters and seniors. Some of us recently arrived in Hudson County. Others have been here for years. Together, we share in our commitment to celebrating Jewish life. We're a place to grow, to form connections with people, and to move through life, with all its ups and downs, among an extended family.

We operate as a member cooperative, sharing our creative ideas and donating our time and energy.

Requirements and Responsibilities of Membership

The cooperative nature of the community means that synagogue operations and programs depend on member volunteers.

This approach strengthens communal bonds, enables us to provide a vigorous range of programs, and helps to keep requested membership commitments at a moderate level.

Benefits of Membership

The most important membership benefit is being part of a genuine community where our presence makes a difference and where, as each of us discovers or rediscovers Judaism, synagogue life becomes richer and more vital.

Members also receive admission to High Holy Days services, discounts at various programs, discounted use of the social hall, preschool admission preference, Learning Center admission eligibility, our monthly newsletter, *The Shofar*, cemetery rights, and a voice in synagogue issues.

Family members who are not Jewish are warmly invited and encouraged to participate in the life of the community, including attending all synagogue events and services and serving on committees.

General Information

Please provide the requested information for each adult individual in the household.

Individual A

Individual B

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Primary Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____

Marital Status _____

Anniversary Date _____

Occupation _____

Jewish (Yes / No) _____

If Jew by choice, name of rabbi who officiated at conversion and date _____

(Please write clearly in English or Hebrew)
Hebrew name _____

Mother's Hebrew name _____

Father's Hebrew name _____

Kohen / Levi / Yisrael _____

I can read Torah (Yes/No/Want to learn) _____

I can read haftarah (Yes/No/Want to learn) _____

I can lead services (Yes/No/Want to learn) _____

You may call me to help make a minyan (prayer quorum) in someone's home when they are sitting shiva (Yes/No) _____

Please provide the requested information for your children. Add additional page if necessary.

Name	Hebrew Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)
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1	_____	_____
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2	_____	_____
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3	_____	_____
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4	_____	_____
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So that we may remind congregants of the Yahrzeits (anniversaries of the death) of your loved ones, please indicate the names of those whose memory you wish to recall.

English Name	Hebrew Name	Relationship	Date of Death (mm/dd/yy)
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1	_____	_____	_____
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2	_____	_____	_____
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Individual A _____

phone / email: _____

Individual B _____

phone / email: _____

The USH Service Requirement

We are a cooperative community where members are expected to help with synagogue programs and operations. This service requirement can be satisfied in three ways: by volunteering for USH activities at least twice during the year; by chairing a committee; or by serving on the board. If you choose not to participate in the co-op/volunteer

nature of the synagogue, you can buy out of the service requirement. USH reserves the right to assess the buy-out fee when the service requirement is not satisfied by the end of the membership year. We welcome your involvement in community life. Please indicate the areas in which you want to become involved.

A B Synagogue Leadership

Board Membership
Help set synagogue policies and address our operational issues

Committee Chair
Organize and lead an aspect of synagogue life

Activities and Programs

Events
Staff events such as lectures, concerts, films, fundraisers, barbecue, Hoboken Art & Music Festival, providing shopping, set-up, and clean-up help

Staff Holiday Programs and Dinners
Staff holiday and Shabbat programs and dinners, providing shopping, set-up, and clean-up help; erect and take down the sukkah; deliver mishloach manot on Purim

High Holy Days
Work with a group of people on the tasks required for synagogue services and hospitality during the High Holy Days, including: organizing hand-out materials, shopping, set-up, clean-up, ushering, and security

United Jewish Appeal
Help organize the annual appeal, including phone calls

Other _____

Ongoing Committees

Administration
Help with the efficient running of synagogue operations

Ritual
Facilitate services and other religious observances

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Programming
Plan and produce speaker series, films, Shabbat programs, and other special events

Tikkun Olam/Community Service
Develop programs that serve Hoboken and Hudson County and respond to the needs of the Jewish people and other communities worldwide

Membership
Plan and participate in programs to reach new members and to serve current members

Building
Help with the repair and maintenance of the Star of Israel and Kaplan buildings

Media/Communications
Develop the USH website, and create advertising, marketing, and publicity to promote programs, and raise our profile

Newsletter
Write, edit, proofread, and sell ads for The Shofar

Finance
Advise about investment and other financial matters

Fundraising/Operational
Produce programs to raise money for emergency repairs and other operating needs of the synagogue

Grant Writing
Identify foundations, write proposals, and conduct follow-up to obtain funds for the synagogue and schools

Co-Op Volunteer
Contact volunteers, maintain the records, organize and participate in the phone tree

Israel
Strengthen our community's connection to Israel

Synagogue Activities and Programs

Please check off the areas that interest you.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kaplan Preschool | <input type="checkbox"/> Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewish Young Adults - JYAH | <input type="checkbox"/> USH Book Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kaplan Learning Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazak (adults aged 55 and over) | <input type="checkbox"/> Athletic activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs for infants and toddlers | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs for Seniors | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moadon Yisre'eli - Israeli group | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Cub Scouts | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Membership Commitment Worksheet: USH Membership Year July 2018 - June 2019

Please select all that apply. (Children under the age of 21 are included at no charge.)

	Payment by Cash, Check, or eCheck	3% Credit Card Fee	X Number of Adults	TOTAL
Benefactor (2 adults plus children)	\$4,000	n/a	n/a	
Household (2 adults plus children)	\$1,800		n/a	
Individual (1 adult plus children)	\$900			
Student / Recent Graduate / Senior	\$200			
Alumni	\$50			
Buy-out**	\$400			
Yom Kippur Appeal donation (donate now and add to your total payment) In Memory / In Honor of :				
Total:				
<input type="checkbox"/> I have a personal or financial hardship and have reduced the membership commitment to an amount I am able to pay.				
**Buy-out: Add \$400 / \$420 per person if you are electing to buy out of the service requirement. Everyone will be reminded periodically to satisfy the volunteer requirement or pay this buy-out fee.				

Payment Methods

Please tell us how you will pay:

- Check**
Make your check out to United Synagogue of Hoboken and note that the payment is for membership.
- Online**
Pay via PayPal on the USH website, www.hobokensynagogue.org/membership.php
- Credit Card**
Provide the following credit card details:
Name _____
Number _____
Expiration date ___/____ Verification Number _____
() Mastercard () Visa () Discover
Office Use: SA _____ Zip _____

Payment Options

Are you paying in full or in installments?

- Full Payment**
Remit your full commitment (including YK Appeal & buy-out if applicable).
- Installment Plan (monthly)**
All commitments must be paid in full by May 31, 2019
If you do not choose auto-charge or eCheck, you will be invoiced every month after your first payment.
- Automatically Charge Credit Card**
I/We request USH automatically charge my card for a total of ___ months.
- eCheck**
I/We request USH automatically charge my checking account for a total of ___ months.
Name on account: _____
Routing# _____
Account# _____

Please sign and date this application and return it to United Synagogue of Hoboken, 115 Park Ave., Hoboken, NJ 07030.

Signature A _____ Date _____

Signature B _____ Date _____

If you would like to receive synagogue email updates about USH news and activities, please sign up at www.hobokensynagogue.org