



May 12, 2023

Shalom Chaverim,

On my behalf and on behalf of your fellow members of Congregation Kol Ami, I am writing to thank you for your participation in our kehilah over the past year and the financial support that you have offered. It is that time of year when I am asking you to make your financial commitment to Kol Ami for the upcoming year. Your support is vital in maintaining our congregation as an institution central to Jewish life in the Tampa community.

Included in this packet you will find a dues form, as well as a dues schedule, tuition information, and, for those who may need it, a dues adjustment form. Kol Ami's dues structure and policies, including its minimum dues, Council of Chai categories, and ability to apply for adjustments, is designed to provide a flexible estimate of the fair share contribution sought from families with differing resources to sustain the congregation. Its purpose is to maintain the financial viability of Kol Ami, while ensuring that no one who makes a good faith effort to contribute is denied the opportunity to be part our community for financial reasons.

To date, that end has been well served by Kol Ami's dues structure and policies in which the generosity of our members in pledging more than their fair share and making additional contributions has not only allowed Kol Ami to thrive, but also to be an inclusive institution in passing down our Jewish heritage.

Accordingly, to provide for our present services, programs, and activities, and ensure the long-term soundness of Kol Ami's finances, I ask you to consider pledging more than the minimum dues, if you can and are so inclined. Indeed, if your circumstances permit, I encourage you to give serious consideration to remaining or becoming a member of the Council of Chai. Information on giving opportunities and recognition offered by the Council of Chai may be found on the enclosed dues chart.



Please review the enclosed dues form and:

- Confirm that we have your household in the correct income category.
- Fill in the appropriate blanks on the form and consider whether you may be able to pledge a little extra.
- Designate a billing schedule, and
- Sign the form.

Please return the form as soon as possible, and in any event by Monday, **June 19, 2023**. This will greatly aid our financial planning for the coming fiscal year.

If your form is not received in the office by June 19, 2023, and we have not heard otherwise, you will be billed your dues amount that was in effect for 2022/23, or the minimum dues for your category, using the same payment plan as you had in effect last year.

To ensure the confidentiality of your due's commitment, you may return it by mail or hand deliver it to the office in an envelope marked "Confidential - Dues," or by email to execdirector@kolami.org.

You may also pay all dues, fees, and other charges using your Visa, Mastercard or Discover Card by using the attached authorization form or by going to kolami.org and clicking on the "Donate & Payments" option. Credit Card Payments may not be made over the phone.

Be advised we will continue the 2% convenience fee on ALL credit card payments for the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

Payment of your due commitment can also be done using appreciated stock. Please contact Mitchell Weiss, Executive Director, for more information in this regard.

On behalf of Congregation Kol Ami, please accept my sincere appreciation for your continued involvement in our wonderful congregation.

Todah Rabah,

Kevin Cross
President