



B'NAI HAVURAH 2021 MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE FORM

We have updated our membership pledge form for 2021 to reflect the many valuable contributions our members provide. Your support, both financial and otherwise, adds to our collective energy and makes us a stronger community. We hope 2021 is the year you commit or re-commit to building a sustainable and impactful B'nai Havurah!

Change is inevitable

Together this year, we will navigate changes within our leadership, board structure, by-laws, and possibly our physical location. We look forward to uniting our community and remaining cautiously optimistic about 2021.

Our community engagement flourished in 2020, despite the pandemic. We could not have done so without the enhanced programming provided by A Year of Learning (sponsored by the CBG Family Fund), Shabbatot, and holiday programs and services.

B'nai Havurah is a community: not just an organization and not only a building. Your membership commitment--both financial and in showing up--makes that possible.

For many members, Shabbat services are a primary source of human connection. As a community, we quickly pivoted to the remote landscape and made adjustments to how we live Jewishly together. We created abundant remote opportunities to learn, share, and stay connected during the pandemic. Life cycle events--happy and sad--have not paused during the pandemic, and we have been there to support you as always. Our staff and volunteers have carried on. Our Youth Education program has been in session. Our committees have become more creative than ever. All of these changes demonstrate the strength of our community, and we look forward to gathering in person in 2021!

Thank you for joining us in 2021.

Sincerely,

Ethan Waldman
Chair, Board of Trustees



**B'NAI HAVURAH 2021
NEW MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE FORM**

Please complete entire form and return to B'nai Havurah

ADULTS IN HOUSEHOLD

ADULT ONE:

First Name	Last Name	Email	Cell Phone	Occupation

Preferred method(s) of communication: Home Phone Cell Phone Email Postage Mail

Would you welcome text messages reminding you of certain events? Not sure Yes No

Mailing Address	Apt#	City	ST	Zip	Home Phone

Program Ideas

Due to popular demand, as a way of fostering community and growing circles of friends, we are creating a list of members' interests and areas of expertise. Are you a birder? Would you be willing to lead a havurah on a morning of birdwatching, for example? Lead a discussion on a topic close to your heart? Cooking lesson? Havurot and informal groups will be able to peruse the list for meeting or activity ideas--remote or in-person.

Please share with us what your interests or areas of expertise might be below:

May a member of our Marketing & Communications team contact you for a member testimonial? Yes! No thanks

ADULT TWO (if applicable):

First Name	Last Name	Email	Phone	Occupation

Preferred method(s) of communication: Home Phone Cell Phone Email Postage Mail

Would you welcome text messages reminding you of certain events? Not sure Yes No

Please share with us what your interests or areas of expertise might be below:

CHILDREN

Please add the name(s) and birthdate(s) (mm/dd/yyyy) of your children below.

Yahrzeits— Remembering your loved ones

To view or change your Yahrzeits please go to www.bnaihavurah.org/account or contact the office for assistance.

"SHOWING UP" COMMITMENT

I understand that my membership commitment is measured in more than dollars. This year, I am interested in strengthening our community in the following area(s): (Please select at least one.) A B'nai Havurah volunteer will contact you to discuss your selection.

- Caring: Volunteer to help provide food or a visit to a member who needs it.
- Activism: Join a like-minded group of do-ers, such as our Tikkun Olam committee, Havurah B'Kavod Jose Diaz (gun control) or our Positioning B'nai organizations, Coloradans for the Common Good (CCG), Colorado Faith Communities to End Gun Violence (CFCU). Or, start a new initiative!
- Kehillah Matters: Help to foster connections between members and havurot; explore joining a havurah.
- Shabbat and Joyous Practice: Show up to at least 3 services to add your voice and energy.
- Abundance: Help cultivate resources for financial sustainability.
- Learning: Join a study group or take an adult-ed class. Or offer your own class.
- Office: Assist with administrative activities such as mailings and phone calls.

Feel free to add any notes regarding "Showing Up" Commitment options below.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

As COVID-19 and its aftereffects create new challenges, there are two truths: 1) whatever our financial state was previously, our future situation is less certain; and, 2) now more than ever, we must depend on each other for generosity, community, and collective resilience. Our Board has kept in mind these truths while preparing this year's call for your financial commitment.

Earlier this month, our Board of Trustees approved a \$481,000 budget. To be in a strong financial position, we have budgeted \$235,000 from membership dues, about half of our overall budget. An additional \$38,000 comes from our annual fund (The Other Half), and the remaining funds are derived from program fees, fundraising events, tuition, rental and investment income, and a variety of year-round contributions (gifts made in memory of loved ones, grocery gift card income, and more). Our 2021 summary budget is enclosed.

To reach our membership dues goal we will need, on average, dues of \$1,060 for each one-adult family and dues of \$1,908 for each two-adult family. And, for us to meet our goal for The Other Half, we would need to receive an average gift of \$175 per individual adult member (or \$350 for a two-adult family).

We understand that these rates are not feasible for all. We invite members with the means to do so to contribute more, knowing that these contributions foster equitable access to our unique, progressive, inclusive, justice-pursuing, intergenerational community.

Whatever your pledge, we thank you for choosing to (re) commit as a B'nai Havurah member. Your presence and participation are integral to our collective well-being.

MEMBERSHIP

Yes! I value B'nai Havurah. I have thought honestly and critically about my finances and values, and I am able to contribute the amount below. I understand my pledge can be broken down into equal payments over 10 months.

Your membership dues commitment: *Please make your selection below.*

- Two-Adult Family Sustaining Level: \$3,600 (can do installments)
- One-Adult Family Sustaining Level: \$2,000 (can do installments)
- Two-Adult Family Supporting Level: \$1,908 (can do installments)
- One-Adult Family Supporting Level: \$1,060 (can do installments)
- Sliding Scale Membership - *please see below*

SLIDING SCALE MEMBERSHIP

Yes! I value B'nai Havurah. I have thought honestly and critically about my finances and values, and I am able to support B'nai Havurah with the donation I have indicated below. I understand my pledge can be broken down into equal payments but must be fully paid by the end of November. **Please enter your dues pledge here \$ _____**

B'nai Havurah Turns No One Away- *You may select one or more options below.*

- I want to be a member, but I am unsure of what I am able to contribute at this time. I know I'm always welcome, and I'm glad B'nai Havurah is there for me and others.
- I am interested in volunteering at B'nai Havurah.
- Please ask Becky Epstein, B'nai Havurah Executive Director, to contact me.

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN GIVING



B'nai Havurah's Annual Annual Giving Campaign remains a critical piece of our financial security for our congregation. While dues, program fees, and various contributions help

pay for much of the cost to run B'nai, we also rely on annual philanthropic gifts. Your generosity helps fund many of our innovative programs, services, and engagement opportunities that draw us all in. As life presents its challenges and opportunities, your gift will ensure that the B'nai Havurah community is there for you when you need us most.

In 2020, 58% of our member families donated an average gift of \$318 to our annual fund. This year, we'd like to increase our percentage of contributing families to 75%. Please help us reach that goal!

Make tzedakah part of your annual pledge to strengthen our kehilla/community. Any amount you can give, know that your contribution helps our kehillah grow and thrive. **Enter your Other Half annual fund contribution here: \$ _____**

Social Action is a Hallmark of B'nai Havurah: Olam Chesed Yibaneh (we will build this world from love)



Your \$36 annual donation per family member over age 13 sustains the work of our community to repair the world. The donation you enter below will be equally divided (unless you indicate otherwise) between Tikkun Olam as well as our two Positioning

B'nai organizations, Coloradans for the Common Good and Colorado Faith Communities United To End Gun Violence (CFCU). Through Positioning B'nai, all members are welcome to submit a proposal for B'nai Havurah to take a position on a social justice/action issue. Learn more at

www.bnaihavurah.org. **Enter your Social Action Pledge of \$36 per family member who is 13 years of age and older here: \$ _____**

Unless you indicate otherwise, your donation will be split equally between Tikkun Olam (half) and our Positioning B'nai organizations (half). Indicate below if you would like to earmark an amount other than 50% to Tikkun Olam and 50% to Social Action (CCG or CFCU). _____

Please provide us with the name(s) of a loved one you would like to honor with your donation to Social Action or the Other Half. _____



Including B'nai Havurah with a gift in your will, trust, retirement account, or life insurance policy ensures that B'nai will continue for future generations.

Has B'nai Havurah had a positive impact on your life? ● Do you wonder where B'nai Havurah will be 50 years from now? ● Make a lasting difference by becoming a B'nai Chai member.

To learn more and see the more than 80 individuals who have included B'nai Havurah in their end of life plans go to www.bnaihavurah.org/bnaichailegacy

PAYMENT INFORMATION

All pledges are due no later than November 30, 2021

Enter your TOTAL commitment (Membership dues, The Other Half, and Social Action) \$ _____

Payment Options:

\$ _____ (amt of each payment) ONE PAYMENT and date you plan to pay: _____

\$ _____ (amt of each payment) SEMI-ANNUALLY (due by May 28 and November 30)

\$ _____ (amt of each payment) QUARTERLY (due by May 28, July 30, Sept 30, and Nov 30)

\$ _____ (amt of each payment) MONTHLY PAYMENTS (To be paid in full by Nov 30)

Payment Method:

I will send a check by date(s) indicated above. I will make payments online myself by dates indicated above.

I authorize Bnai Havurah to charge my credit card or checking account (eCheck) on the payment schedule indicated above. I have completed my credit card information below.

Name on credit card _____ Billing address _____

Credit Card Number _____ - _____ - _____ Exp Date _____

For eCheck Payments: CHECKING ACCOUNT - Routing #: _____ Account #: _____

Authorized Credit Card / eCheck Signature: _____

Thank you for your commitment.

Please complete and return this form by March 15, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 303-388-4441 or exec@bnaihavurah.org