WHY A MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE?

Temple Sinai is a welcoming community that seeks to include all. We do not charge dues; instead, we ask that each of us commit annually consistent with our ability to contribute.

“We believe that embracing Pledge is consistent with our values and encourage you to enter into this covenant with our community. By doing so you show that you value inclusion, innovation, hope, and faith.”

~ Rabbi Jamie Gibson

Q&A

What is Temple Sinai’s Budget and How is it Used?

Our $2 million budget goes to maintain our building and offer worship, lifecycle events, education for all ages, social justice initiatives, music, salaries and insurance for our clergy and staff, and so much more. (See breakdown to the right.)

What is the Sustaining Amount? If we evenly divide the budget, the amount each household would need to give to create a balanced budget this year is $2,645.

What if I Can’t Give That Amount? We know the Sustaining Amount is not in everyone’s ability. We ask that you pledge an amount that fits your budget.

What if I Can Give More? We encourage anyone who can give more to do so in order to support those who aren’t able. Please consider giving at one of the higher levels listed on the Pledge Commitment sheet.
Q&A (continued)

Why Do We Have a Security Assessment?
We’ve recently upgraded security to keep us all safer in light of increased antisemitism. As part of Pledge, we ask everyone to pay $100 to help offset the additional expenses of the security upgrade, a projected cost of more than $50,000 in 2019–2020.

HIGH HOLY DAYS SECURITY & PLEDGE
Making your Pledge ensures you will receive Cards of Admission to High Holy Days services — a very important benefit of your membership at Temple Sinai.

Your security is our top priority. It’s vital that we know who has access to our building so greeters will ask to see your Cards of Admission before entering the building for services.

We’ll send you all the details in August.

Why Do We Have a Building Assessment?
As part of Pledge, we ask everyone to pay $100 to meet the needs of ongoing building maintenance, repairs, and improvements required to keep Temple Sinai functional and comfortable for everyone.

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