

National Tribal Child Support Association



Mission Statement

NTCSA is a non-profit organization that partners with tribal, state and federal professionals to improve the quality of life for Indian children through communication, training and public awareness.

Vision

NTCSA is committed to uniting tribal, state and federal programs as the voice for Indian children.

Objective

NTCSA's main objective is to benefit Indian children and develop, promote and enhance family values by bringing together tribal programs such as tribal CFR courts, Head Start, and Indian child welfare and domestic violence programs.

2008 - 2009 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Individual or Contact Person:

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Title _____

Tribe/Tribal Program/Agency _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

e-mail _____

Please check appropriate box for the Annual Membership you are applying for:

\$ 25 - Individual Membership for Tribal Member or Tribal Employee

\$ 35 - Individual Non-Voting Membership

\$ 150 - Tribe or Tribal Program Membership

\$ 300 - Associate Non-Voting Membership

\$ ____ - Additional Donation

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Please send completed application payment to:

NTCSA
PO Box 333
Gillett, WI 54124

Please make check or money order payable to the National Tribal Child Support Association

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www.supporttribalchildren.org

Membership Definitions and Benefits

As defined and regulated by the National Tribal Child Support Association: Article IV of 2002 By-Laws.

Membership shall be of four (4) classes; namely, (1) Individual for Tribal Member or Tribal Employee; (2) Individual Non-Voting Membership; (3) Tribe or Tribal Program Membership; (4) Associate Non-Voting Membership.

Definitions:

Individual Membership for Tribal Member or Tribal Employee:

This membership shall be available to any person enrolled in a Native American Tribe or a non-enrolled person who is employed by a Tribe and who is actively engaged in the field of tribal child support enforcement issues. Any member who has been so engaged and is retiring from the field of tribal child support and is a member in good standing may continue as an individual member.

Individual Non-Voting Membership:

This membership is available to any person interested in Tribal child support enforcement issues. Since this membership is exclusive to non-Tribal members or employees it is a non-voting membership.

Tribe or Tribal Program Membership:

This membership shall be available to any Tribe or Tribal Program involved within the scope of the purposes of this association, namely improving the lives of Tribal children and families.

Associate Non-Voting Membership:

This membership shall be available to any state, federal, corporate or private sector agency engaged in providing services and/or products to members of NTCSA and having a common interest in enhancing the field of Tribal child support enforcement. Up to 10 employees, employed by the organization, shall be designated as participants under this membership. This is a non-voting membership.

Voting Privileges:

Each Individual Tribal Member or Tribal Employee Member with a current, paid membership shall be entitled to one vote each.

Each Tribe or Tribal Program Membership with a current, paid membership and represented with a designated delegate shall be entitled to one vote per membership.

To ensure the integrity of NTCSA as an exclusive Native American organization, non-Tribally affiliated Individual or Associate Memberships will not have a right to vote due to potential conflicts of interest. However, participation in discussions and creative ideas are encouraged.

Membership records shall be maintained by NTCSA's Secretary and Treasurer. Membership shall be terminated for failure to pay membership dues by the designated time. In addition, any member may be removed by a majority of vote at a general membership meeting for failure to adhere to membership criteria.

Any member may be eligible to serve on a Committee of NTCSA except employees of NTCSA.

Period of Membership:

The annual period of membership shall be September 1 through August 31.

Annual dues shall be due and payable on or before September 1. Any member who has failed to pay current dues by October 1 shall be dropped from the membership roster. Such member may be reinstated upon payment of dues. Payment of dues prior to March 31st shall be treated as dues for that year. Payments after April 1st shall be treated as payment for the upcoming year.

The duties of members are:

1. To elect Board of Director members;
2. To assist and support implementation of NTCSA program and policies, nationwide, but specifically within their own community.

Benefits of Membership:

1. Members may attend and participate in any discussion or debate at any general board meeting. Additionally, any member with voting privileges as set forth in Article IV, Section 2 of NTCSA By-Laws, may vote at the meeting.
2. Members shall receive a Certificate of Membership upon payment of their dues.
3. Members shall receive a discount off the registration fee for the Annual Conference.

Annual Membership dues shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors are authorized to adopt changes in the classification schedule at its regular meetings, with any changes becoming effective the following September.

No member shall receive compensation for services rendered as a member.
For further details, please refer to NTCSA's By-Laws, Article IV.