

### **Membership Policy**

Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is available to nonprofit organizations. Annual membership fees vary according to the organization's most recent operating budget (see chart below). Membership is based on a calendar year, running from January 1 through December 31. Prorated dues are available for organizations joining in the months of February through September. Organizations joining in October through December in any given year will receive a complimentary membership for the remainder of that year but will be required to pay the following year's membership fee upon their enrollment. If the organization is a local chapter/office of a national or statewide organization, the membership fee will be based on the local operating budget. ABN member benefits and discounts are available to an unlimited number of each member organization's staff, board, and volunteers. By becoming an ABN member, the organization is committing to the Guiding Principles and fundamental values of the Standards for Excellence® code.

Annual dues are based on budget size according to line 18 on Form 990 or line 17 on Form 990-EZ for the most recent fiscal year.\*

- Under 50K: \$100
- 50k - 99k: \$200
- 100k-249k: \$300
- 250k - 499k: \$400
- 500k - 999k: \$800
- Over 1m: \$1,000

\*For organizations that serve primarily as pass-through vehicles or fiscal agents for government and/or foundation grants, membership dues will be based on the organization's annual operating expense budget, minus pass-through funds.

The Board of Directors shall have the right to deny or terminate the membership of any organization or individual, or to deny access to or participation in the programs or services of the Alliance for Better Nonprofits, if such organization or individual fails to meet the qualifications for membership, or engages in activities which are contrary to the interests of the Alliance for Better Nonprofits.

- **Membership Policy for "Umbrella" Associations**  
Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is available to nonprofit "umbrella" associations whose constituent members consist of nonprofit organizations. ABN membership benefits accrue to employees and volunteers of the "umbrella" association only. ABN membership benefits do not extend to employees or volunteers of subsidiary or affiliate organizations.
- **Membership Policy for Professional Associations**  
Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is available to nonprofit professional organizations whose membership consists of individuals. ABN membership benefits accrue to employees and

volunteers of the association as well as to individual association members. ABN membership benefits do not extend to staff or volunteers of nonprofits with which association members may be affiliated.

- **Membership Policy for Colleges and Universities**

Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is open to nonprofit colleges and universities. ABN membership benefits accrue to faculty, staff and students of member institutions. ABN membership benefits do not extend to staff or volunteers of other nonprofit organizations with which individual faculty, staff or students may be affiliated.

- **Membership Policy for Individuals**

Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is open to individuals who have a personal or professional interest in the nonprofit sector but who are not currently employed by a nonprofit organization. ABN membership benefits accrue to the individual member only. ABN membership benefits do not extend to staff or volunteers of nonprofits with which individual members may be affiliated.

- **Membership Policy for Students**

Alliance for Better Nonprofits (ABN) membership is open to individuals enrolled in a higher education institution. ABN membership benefits accrue to the student members only. ABN membership benefits do not extend to staff or volunteers of nonprofits with which individual members may be affiliated.