



Council Program Fee 2020

In August of 2020, Units will need to collect \$30 for the Council Family Program Fee. (see Q&A). This fee will cover ALL youth in the program who are in the same family. The Council recommends collecting the fee at the Cub Scout Level for families that have multiple youth in Scouting. (i.e. one child in Cub Scouts, one child in Scouts BSA, and two children in Venturing). Families only pay one fee, regardless of how many of their children are involved in any BSA program.

Recharter Fee Schedule

Current (January 2020) Recharter	August 1, 2020 – January 31, 2021	January 2021 – January 2022
\$67 for youth members in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts.	\$30/Family Council Program Fee	\$60 National Registration Fee \$60/Family Council Program Fee
\$48 for youth members in Exploring	\$30/Family Council Program Fee	\$36 National Registration Fee \$60/Family Council Program Fee

What Does the Council Program Fee Pay For?

Council Program Fees will help offset the costs for:

- Operations and maintenance of Camp V-Bar
- The annual Cub Scout recruiting drive
- Unit support and program development from professional staff
- Support Services Staff – registration, popcorn, fundraising
- Council website and Council business costs not currently covered by existing registration fees

The Council Fee includes these benefits for every Scout:

- **Free Rank Badges** for Scouts each year
- **Free Unit camping reservations** at Camp V-Bar
- Every Unit will receive an **additional 5% commission** on popcorn sales, meaning the minimum commission rises to 40%
- **Exclusive “Scout Days”** with discounted entry at the World War 2 Museum, Tulane Football, Pelicans Basketball, the New Orleans Bowl, and more... with a dedicated resource for group rates that Units can take advantage of in Southeast Louisiana

*** For more information on the Council Program Fee, please review our Q&A Document***



Program Assessment Fee Payment Guidelines

The annual program assessment will be based on the number of Scouts registered in the unit. The unit can choose to pay for the assessment in any way that they choose. Some examples include paying from the unit accounts, rolling the fee into dues, or asking families for a one-time fee. The full amount due will be paid from the unit by ACH, Check, or Cash. This process can be handled by the unit committee or whomever handles your recharter paperwork.

Steps for Unit Leaders for the August \$30 Fee:

Step 1) You will receive a current roster from Council's registration system. If you don't receive one by August 1st, please contact the Council office for one.

Step 2) Review the roster and remove any Scouts who are no longer participating.

Step 3) Review to make sure that each family is only charged for one child if they have siblings in your unit.

Step 4) Multiply the number of Scouts by \$30 to find the total due to the Council Office by August 31, 2020.

New Scouts for Fall 2020

All new Scouts signing up after August 1, 2020 will pay a \$30 program fee plus the prorated national fee.

Low Income/ Hardship Waiver

A family can request that the program assessment fee be waived or reduced based on individual need. There is a fillable form that can be turned in and approved by a unit leader and forwarded to the Council Office. Families can also make a request with the same form directly to the Council Office if they are uncomfortable providing that information to their unit leadership.

Unit Non-payment of August 2020 Program Assessment

Units who cannot pay their assessment should communicate with the Council Office for consideration of a waiver or partial waiver. Units who fail to pay the August 2020 program assessment fee and do not receive a waiver in Fall of 2020 will not be Chartered in 2021.

If you have questions or need assistance with the process, please contact the Council Office or the professional serving your area. You may also reach out to your Unit Commissioner, District Commissioner or District Chair.