
NRVC Terms of Membership

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Membership is open to vocation ministers appointed by their religious institute or diocese as well as organizations and others who support vocation ministry.
- Membership is open only to canonically recognized Catholic institutions and organizations.
- The NRVC retains the right to refuse membership but will offer the opportunity to appeal the decision.
- When requesting membership and submitting payment, you are confirming that you are providing us with consent to contact you and securely store your personal information (see privacy statement).
- Payment is confirmation of acceptance of membership terms and policies, including privacy statement, cookies policy, and copyright permission.

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT/DUES

Membership may be purchased two ways:

NRVC Individual Membership \$840

- One (1) person in a religious institute/organization with full membership receiving all NRVC benefits.

NRVC Membership License \$1415

- Five (5) people per government unit of a religious institute/organization with full membership receiving all the NRVC benefits. (A government unit is defined as a region / province / monastery with a designated major superior.) Institutes may purchase multiple 5-users licenses.

All memberships are annual beginning January 1 and terminating December 31, regardless of when the membership is paid. Membership is activated within 24 hours of payment. Benefits including Membership only website access and subscriptions begin. Membership is not pro-rated.

When membership is due to expire, you will receive notification via email and the USPS delivery system. If renewal is not made by the end of the calendar year, December 31, benefits will be suspended until membership is renewed.

The Misericordia Fund is available to assist those who require financial assistance. All NFCRV applications must have the NRVC annual membership dues paid in full by December 31 of the year prior to when the application is submitted.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The benefits of the NRVC membership are:

- Full participation in the NRVC as a voting member with eligibility for Board membership and member area leadership and website access to members-only information, including an online membership directory.

- Eligibility to submit grant requests to the National Fund for Catholic Religious Vocations (NFCRV).
- Eligibility to submit grant requests to the Misericordia Scholarship Fund, for program financial assistance.
- Members-only rate on the NRVC programs for professional growth and continuing education and formation in vocation ministry and award-winning publications and resources.
- An annual subscription to HORIZON quarterly journal, the only English-language professional vocation publication in the Catholic Church and *Focus on Vocation Ministry*, an online monthly newsletter, and other electronic updates.
- Access to a professional support network of those committed to vocation ministry regionally, nationally, and internationally.
- Your religious institute is highlighted on the NRVC website and recognized in the print and online versions of VISION Vocation Guide.
- Consultation regarding vocation ministry by phone or email.
- A share in the NRVC's advocacy for vocations to religious life with the USCCB, the religious leadership conferences, the Catholic press and media, other national and international Catholic organizations, and vocation conferences.
- Support for your vocation ministry and the vocation discernment of young Catholics through the NRVC campus ministry, young adult, parish, parent, and discerner resources, particularly VISION Vocation Guide, Network, and Match services, and presence at national and international youth and young adult conferences.
- Participation in and support for the national and international vocation promotion and development efforts of the NRVC.

Members are responsible for maintaining accurate and up-to-date contact information, such as mailing address, phone number, email address, and other details of their account profile to ensure access to and delivery of benefits. The NRVC is not responsible for delivery issues with U.S. or foreign postal services or a member's internal internet protocols, which may block email broadcasts. However, the NRVC will work with members and third parties to resolve such issues to the extent it can.

Members who do not wish to receive email broadcasts, such as the monthly *Focus on Vocation Ministry* newsletter or the mid-month NRVC update, can unsubscribe from the list at any time by clicking *opt-out* or *unsubscribe* at the bottom of any of the broadcast email. At any time, you may email compliance@nrvc.net informing us of your wish to be removed from particular email or mailing list. You will be informed of any loss of benefits that may incur.

All NRVC members are part of the NRVC membership directory, which appears in the Members Only, log-in protected section of nrvc.net, to facilitate contact and networking among members. This online directory is available only to members and is

not sold, rented, shared, or made available to the public. You may request that your name not appear in the online directory by emailing compliance@nrvc.net.

MISCELLANEOUS

Membership can be transferred mid-year to accommodate vocation ministry changes made within a religious institute/organization. Changes must be made by the person who is responsible for the membership and can be made by emailing NRVC the Database Manager, Marge Argyelan at margyelan@nrvc.net. Memberships may not be shared. If multiple access to benefits is required, members may purchase a 5-user membership license. Institutes requiring additional members beyond the five-person license may add additional members onto the license for additional fees.

Membership refunds are not standard policy as membership accrue immediately. However, requests for refunds will be considered on a case-by-case basis.