

Participating as a Member

Members are welcome to involve themselves in a wide range of ways – whether it’s simply attending events, or helping to stage them, delivering opening words, supporting behind the scenes, cooking for our homeless shelter project, helping out on the board, etc. It takes a village, and we each have unique skills. We invite you to share your interests below.

I might have a skill I can share:

- accounting or other financial skills
- art/design
- law
- music
- photography
- publicity
- social media
- writing/editing
- other: _____

I might like to serve on a committee:

- caring
- program planning
- ethical action
- membership

Other ideas I have about contributing to the ECSSV community:

Pledge of Financial Support

The group is funded by its members. Our expenses include meeting-space rent, compensation for our Consulting Leader, and costs of affiliating with the American Ethical Union (AEU). Members are asked to make an annual pledge. Please look at the levels below and pledge an amount that feels right to you.

Pledge Suggestions:

Student/Fixed Income ~ We welcome new members regardless of their ability to pledge. Please see a board member for details.

Basic -- \$75

Supporting -- \$200

Sustaining -- \$400

Growth -- \$1,000 or more

When choosing your pledge amount, please note that ECSSV pays approximately \$50/member each year to the AEU.

ECSSV is a tax-exempt organization recognized by the IRS under Section 501(c)(3)



Ethical Culture Society of Silicon Valley

Affiliated with the American Ethical Union

How Do I Become a Member?



An Invitation to Join



We invite you to explore membership in Ethical Culture Society Silicon Valley (ECSSV). You might first wish to participate in some of our events to see if there's a good fit. Progression to membership implies alignment with the group's mission and vision, an intention to participate actively in the group, and a pledge of financial support.

If you are interested in joining, we first recommend talking with a board member for answers to any questions you might have. Then fill out this application and hand it to a board member (see ecssv.org for a list) or mail it to:

Ethical Culture Society of Silicon Valley
1525 Walnut Drive
Palo Alto, CA 94303

Mission and Vision

Vision Statement: The Ethical Culture Society of Silicon Valley is a vibrant, caring community dedicated to cultivating ethical growth and action in its members and in the larger world.

Mission Statement: We are a humanistic religious organization inspired by the ideal that the supreme aim of human life is working to create a more humane society. Our aim is to bring out the best in ourselves and others by building a community whereby we develop our ethical identity and strengthen our capacity to live by our ethical ideals. We recognize our capacity and responsibility to act in our personal relationships and in the larger community to help create a better world. Our commitment is to the worth and dignity of the individual, and to treating each human being so as to bring out the best in him or her. We join together to assist each other in developing ethical ideas and ideals, to celebrate life's joys, to support each other through life's crises, and to work together to improve our world and the world of our children.

Membership Application

Please complete one form per family member.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (h) _____

(c) _____

E-mail: _____

Birthdate (month & day) _____

May we list your information in a member directory? Yes No

Why you'd like to join ECSSV: _____

Things that are important to you: _____

Anything else you'd like us to know about you: _____

