

NATIONAL CHAPTER DUES STRUCTURE REPORT

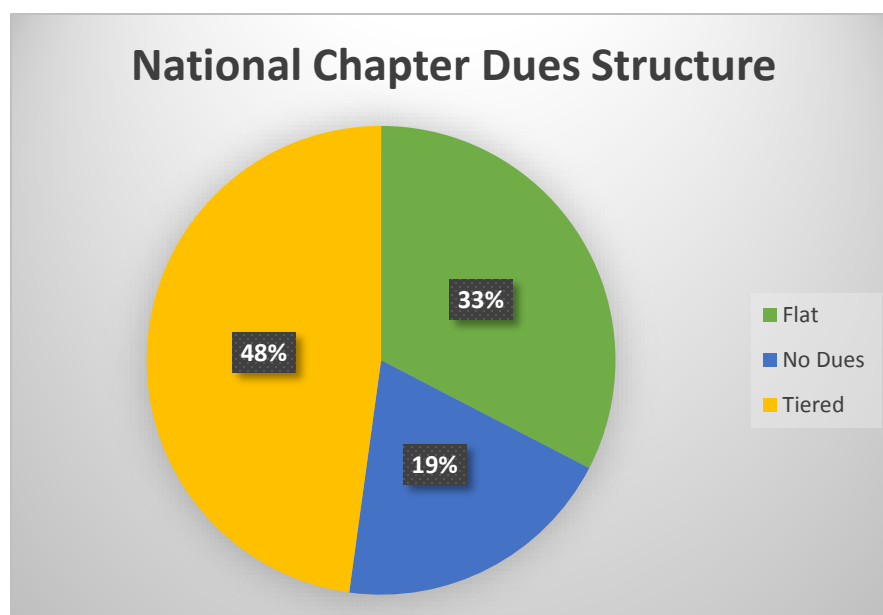


2017 Edition

As membership organizations, the majority of our NCA Chapters collect dues from their Children's Advocacy Center members. Due to the grassroots nature of our movement and Chapters themselves, this has been an area of evolution. There is currently rising interest across the nation in re-evaluating the amount, use and structure of dues as well as looking at implementing dues for the first time.

Chapters must be sure to integrate the use of membership dues with the other strategic initiatives of the organization. It is essential that membership dues reinforce the success of all other activities. If the Children's Advocacy associates a high return on investment with their membership, paying dues will be a natural aspect of that relationship. In fact, because of this, requiring dues can actually strengthen the relationship overall.

There are multiple ways that dues can be structured. Our Chapters rely on two methods: A flat or equal structure and a tiered structure based on membership level or budget size. There is no right or wrong way to access dues as it is a decision based on what works best for each state.



2017 NCA Chapter Dues Amounts

Flat/Equal Dues Structures

State	Annual Dues
Arizona	\$400
Colorado	\$1,500
Connecticut	\$200
Georgia	\$200
Hawaii	\$250
Idaho	\$187.50
Illinois	\$500
Kansas	\$1,100
Kentucky	\$600
Louisiana	\$500
Mississippi	\$500
New Hampshire	\$150
New Mexico	\$125
Oklahoma	\$1,200
South Carolina	\$200
Wisconsin	\$100

Why Collect Dues?

1. Paying membership dues not only “buys” the member the services and value you deliver to them, it can also be perceived as more credible to non-member Children Advocacy Centers who want to join a professional association of their peers.
2. Membership dues represent the financial investment of the Children’s Advocacy Center in belonging to the group. The amount of dues they pay represents the dollar value they place on this affiliation with their professional community.
3. Membership dues create a stable, predictable resource line item for the support of Chapter operations and activities that cannot be paid for with federal dollars.

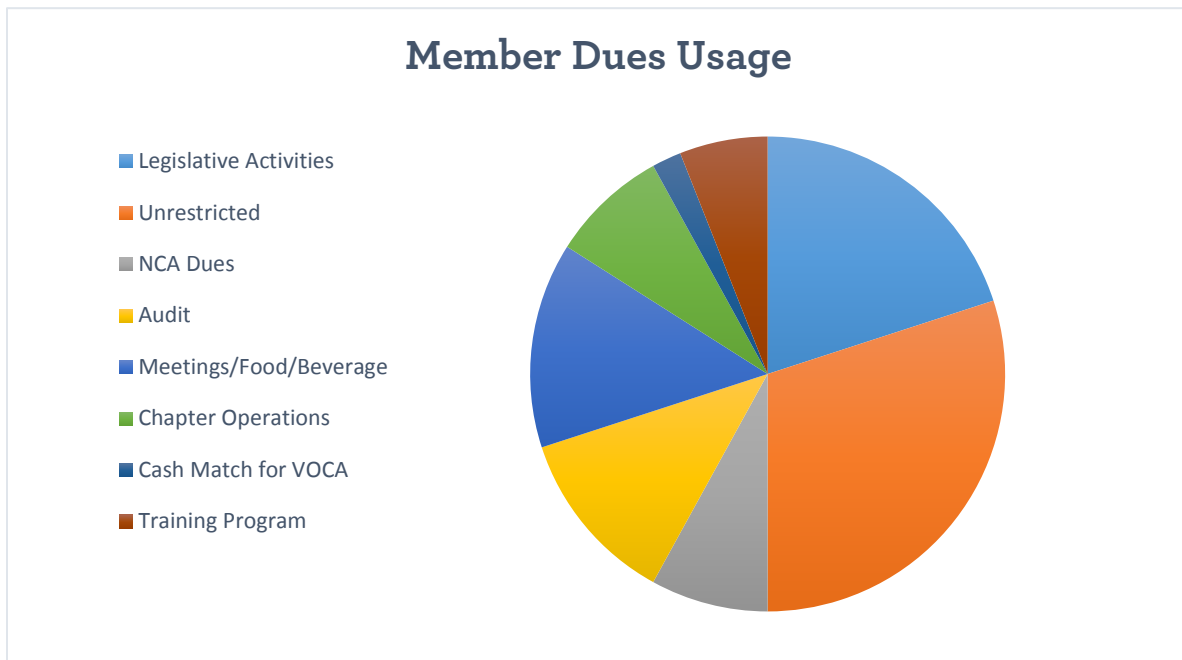
Tiered Dues Structures (Based on Budget Structure)

State	Structure	Annual Dues
Florida	Based on Organizational Budget	\$200
Missouri	\$500+ 2.5% of state funding and sub-award funding	\$500
Minnesota	Based on Organizational Budget	variable

Tiered Dues Structures (Based on Membership Level)

State	Annual Dues for Accredited CACs	Annual Dues for Associate/ Developing CACs	Annual Dues for Affiliate CACs	Annual Dues for MDT/Individual Support
Alabama	\$250	\$50	\$50	
Alaska	\$200	\$150	\$150	
California	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$50
Iowa	\$500	\$250		
Maine	\$250		\$50	
Michigan	\$700	\$150	\$100/\$0	
Montana	\$200	\$100	\$100	\$50
New York	\$250	\$125		\$50
Ohio	\$250	\$50	\$50	\$50
Oregon	\$250	\$50	\$50	
Pennsylvania	\$350	\$200	\$100	
South Dakota	\$250			\$50
Texas	\$300-\$3,000			
Virginia	\$750	\$525	\$250	\$100
Washington	\$500	\$250		\$25
West Virginia	\$500	\$300	\$60	

Dues Budget Areas



There are many options for how to use membership dues that will enhance the Chapter organization. Here are the most reported-on budget areas.