

Dear (Lead Advisor(s),

We know that we can't turn back the clock, but we can help moving forward by assisting any way we can. While we have not delivered the program that we would have LOVED during the COVID-19 lock down, we have worked hard to provide useful, COVID-19 safe programing for our youth in every way possible.

During this time of the COVID-19 we did provided the Post with General Liability Insurance, administration support, and as always, our proved infrastructure of programing and recruiting. We also understand that due to the COVID-19 no fundraising was done to sustain the Post. Our council has been working diligently to provide support and funds to help individual(s) members who need the support to cover their registration fee.

If you are in need, we want you to **click on this link** and complete the on-line form for one youth or the Post. Click here: <https://www.glaacbsa.org/financialassistance>

We hope that this will help your Post to register for the 2021 Renewal in the Exploring Program.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Exploring,

*Gina Chan*

Gina Chan  
Exploring Director  
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2021 Renewal:

Thank you for agreeing to serve as the renewal processor for (Post). The work you are doing in Exploring as advisors/mentors to our young people and their families goes a long way to ensure that our young people are receiving the guidance they need to grow, learn, develop character, and become tomorrow's ethical leaders. This year, our renewal cycle is slightly different than it has been before. I would like to make a zoom appointment with you so that we can process your renewal together. The major changes that we hope to guide you through are as follows:

- Ensuring that all members for the 2021 roster are registered prior to renewal
- Calculating the correct fees for the shortened renewal cycle (January 1 through September 30)
- Directing you to the local council payment portal instead of the one that you will see.

In order to prepare for this appointment, you and your Post advisors should do the following things:

- Make an appointment with Gina Chan in-person or via zoom.
- Bring or have all new applications both for youth and adults in your hands.
- Memorandum of Understanding signed by highest ranking official in the facility of Post meetings.
- Access to the Exploring website <https://scoutnet.scouting.org/UCRS/ui/home/default.aspx>
- We're going to issue a 9-month (instead of the traditional 12-month) charter. We're doing this to cut your cost from \$84.00 to \$63.00 for ongoing youth. Also, this brings our charter cycle into the fall next year, so that it will match better with the school year calendars.
- Determine how and when the unit is going to pay the 2021 registration fees. The payment options are going to be Check by mail, Electronic Check, or Credit Card. The payment show be before (12/15/2020) to register the Post in 2021.
- When all of this is complete, (before 12/15/2020) a 15-minute in-person with Gina to receive all finalized paperwork. We must do this step together.

We live in interesting times and Exploring is changing quickly to adapt. If you need help, please contact Gina Chan. Best wishes to all for a successful charter renewal season!



Travis J. Williams  
Council Commissioner



Rosemary Vivero  
Exploring Commissioner



Gina Chan  
Exploring Director

This chart shows the annual cost of membership for 9 months.

Our 2021 Renewal

Membership fees are charged on a prorated 12-month basis for those joining during the year. This year we will charter our Posts for 9 months, which enables some cost savings.

**2021 Renewal**

National Dues for 2020 for youth	\$31.50
National Dues for 2020 for adults	\$31.50
Council Insurance for all paid applicants	\$22.50
Council Program Fee for all paid youth	\$9.00
Recharter Renewal Fee	\$75.00
<b>TOTAL RECHARTERING COSTS</b>	

\* At the 2020 National Annual Meeting, a pricing change was announced for all National fees. This change will go into effect on August 1, 2020. The Greater Los Angeles Area Council Board of Directors has set the insurance fee to increase to \$30 at the same time as the National fee increase to help offset the insurance cost to the Council.

Another items the council is doing to help and support our youth;

\*\* While supplies last, new members will receive 5 free discount cards, a \$25 value, to offset this national charge.