



## Membership Information

### Membership Benefits

As a member of MEDC, you are part of one of the country's most reputable advocacy organizations that concentrates its efforts in providing opportunities that will enhance a member's personal growth and professional career.

#### **MEDC helps leaders lead**

- MEDC strengthens the leadership capabilities of upper level managers and directors of color by providing professional development and networking opportunities, as well as education around issues affecting communities of color.
- It takes a strong leader to bring about lasting change. MEDC cultivates and supports leaders of color at all levels so they have the skills and knowledge they need to keep their organizations strong and stable.
- People thrive under good leadership. We empower leaders of color through direct political and advocacy actions that help them be more effective leaders.
- MEDC fosters collaboration and cooperation among its broad-based membership, and builds bridges across racial and ethnic divides to achieve economic, political, racial and social justice for people of color.

### Membership Criteria

A member in good standing must:

- Complete an application for membership and pay annual dues as established by the Board of Directors and adopted by the membership.
- Identify as a person of color and support the nonprofit and community-based sector of human services, health, housing, education or community economic development.
- Have a demonstrated commitment to MEDC's mission, values, and goals.
- Attend and actively participate in regular MEDC membership and/or standing committee meetings. Members may also represent MEDC on external committees, boards, commissions, task forces, coalitions or other entities in the community

*Please note that membership is not transferable or assignable. Any member who fails to pay dues shall forfeit membership.*



## Membership Application

January 1—December 31, 2010

**Applicant's Agency or Individual Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Membership Dues Categories**

- Agency Paid Membership** **Number of Applicants** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dues paid by the employing agency vary along a sliding scale based on the size of the agency's annual budget. Agencies may name multiple individuals to be included with their membership, however, only one member per agency may vote.
  
- Individually Paid Membership**  
 Dues paid by the individual are paid at a flat rate of \$100 and apply to that individual only.

**2. Contributions/Scholarships**

As you prepare your payment for this year's membership dues, please consider contributing an **additional amount**. Any contributions in addition to your membership dues will go towards helping us achieve our mission.

You may choose to give an additional amount to provide a scholarship for an organization needing assistance in paying MEDC dues. Please include this amount below.

**3. Annual Dues**

Please use the following chart to determine the amount of dues owed and fill in the blanks below the chart with the determined amount. **Dues are paid annually and apply to the calendar year.**

<b>Individually Paid Dues</b>	\$100
<b>Agency Paid Dues</b>	
Employing Agency's Annual Budget Under \$500,000	\$125
Employing Agency's Annual Budget \$500,000 to \$1,000,000	\$155
Employing Agency's Annual Budget \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000	\$215
Employing Agency's Annual Budget \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000	\$275
Employing Agency's Annual Budget \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000	\$390
Employing Agency's Annual Budget \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000	\$620
Employing Agency's Annual Budget over \$5,000,000	\$725



**4. Applicant Information**

**AGENCY INFORMATION**

Agency Name:		
Agency Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	Email:
Website:		

**PRIMARY APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name:	
Title:	
Email:	
Phone:	Fax:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Birth Month/Day:	Ethnicity:
Please select the committee(s) you are interested in serving on:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy/Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Education Ad Hoc of PP <input type="checkbox"/> Resource Development <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events (Subcmte of Res. Dev.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership

**ADDITIONAL APPLICANT(S) CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name:	
Title:	
Email:	
Phone:	Fax:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Birth Month/Day:	Ethnicity:
Please select the committee(s) you are interested in serving on:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Resource Development <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events (Subcmte of Res. Dev.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership <input type="checkbox"/> Program (Trainings) <input type="checkbox"/> Police Accountability

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**5. Additional Questions**

Please answer the following questions regarding background and experience. Copy this sheet for additional applicants.

Please list your area of expertise:

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Please list the committees, commissions and/or boards you currently serve on:

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Briefly describe your experiences in supporting one of the non-profit and community-based sectors of human services, health, housing, education, or community economic development:

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Please describe how you have or how you intend to demonstrate your commitment to MEDC's mission, values, and goals (see page 5):

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**6. Applicant(s) pledge to support MEDC's Mission, Values and Goals**

**MEDC's Mission Statement**

MEDC is a coalition of all people of color dedicated to achieving equity, equality and social justice in partnership with communities of color through advocacy, networking, education, training and leadership development.

**MEDC Values**

- **Collaboration and Cooperation.** MEDC values the collaboration and cooperation among and between all established and emerging communities of color.
- **Diversity.** MEDC values the strength, beauty and intelligence of a diverse society.
- **Self-Determination.** MEDC values the right of self-determination.
- **Eliminating Institutional Racism.** MEDC values the contributions of all who work toward eliminating institutional racism and achieving equity for people of color.
- **Integrity, Equity, and Fairness.** MEDC values integrity, equity, and fairness in conducting business within and with other organizations.
- **Courage and Strength.** MEDC values the courage and strength to address challenges that adversely affect communities of color.
- **Basic Human Needs.** MEDC values the prioritization of equitably addressing the health, human services, housing and community economic development needs of communities of color.

**MEDC's Goals**

- Improve and expand services to people of color
- Ensure equity in the distribution of resources to communities of color
- Influence policies to enhance quality of life for people of color
- Reduce institutional racism and increase cultural competencies of all people

**Applicant(s) Signatures**

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Signature Date Printed Name

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Signature Date Printed Name

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Signature Date Printed Name

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**Thank you for your continued support of our work!**