



DREPUNG GOMANG

Center for Engaging Compassion

Annual Membership Commitment

All are welcome at Drepung Gomang Center for Engaging Compassion – to visit our shrine room, to enjoy weekly meditation, to receive teachings, and to attend community events.

A **DGCEC Member** is a person who is willing to make a deeper commitment to our vision and mission.

You are warmly invited to renew or commit to membership at DGCEC through sharing your talent, time and financial commitment.

Membership Commitment Builds Strong Community

Sangha or Interfaith Member

DGCEC offers two types of membership.

- ✓ Sangha Member: a person who has taken Buddhist Refuge Vows, is preparing to take Refuge Vows at DGCEC in the future, or is a committed student of Tibetan Buddhism
- ✓ Interfaith Member: a friend from another or no faith tradition who is committed to the support of center and its mission, including the teaching of compassion from a secular perspective

Basic Annual Membership

- Individual Member: \$50
- Family Membership: \$110 (3 or more)
- Student Membership: \$35
- Senior Membership: \$35
- Those living on a fixed or low income are invited to talk to staff about an affordable level

Memberships are for one year, effective at date of signing. Please present member card for discounts. Membership dues are not tax-deductible, as defined by law.

Membership Benefits

We thank you for your support and offer these benefits to DGCEC Members:

- Annual Member Retreat
- Member Discount on DGCEC programs as noted in promotional materials
- Member Discount on retreat room use
- Guidance by our Geshes through classes and prayer offerings
- Periodic E-Newsletter for Members
- Borrowing Privileges from DGCEC's expanded library
- 10% Discount in the Tibetan Marketplace and occasional member-only sales

Sustaining Member

Your commitment to a monthly pledge in addition to the base membership helps us build a responsible budget and meet the expenses of running both a Dharma and an Educational Center. Please make a monthly pledge that fits your financial situation.

Circle of Friends

Supporters able to share a donation of \$1000 or more a year become part of the DGCEC Compassion Circle.

DGCEC, listed under our original incorporation name Drepung Gomang Institute, is a 501c3 non-profit organization and all donations are tax-deductible. Your financial information is confidential and will not be shared with others.

Your Time is Precious to DGCEC

Please consider sharing some of your time to increase the health of DGCEC. Committees include: Hospitality, Building and Grounds, Fundraising, Merchandise, Sacred Arts Tour Committee, and Special Events. We are also grateful for help with cleaning the center and grounds, preparing food for events, and providing transportation for our Geshees.

Connecting Your Talent with DGCEC's Needs

Your skills are a gift! Consider which special talents you would like to share to help grow our center.



Our Vision

An enlightened, peaceful community transformed through the wisdom and compassion of Tibetan Buddhist philosophy

Our Mission Statement

As the North American Seat of Drepung Gomang Monastery, we offer the region an opportunity to study and practice Tibetan Buddhism through transformative guided retreats, classes, and teachings; we actively promote awareness of the endangered Tibetan culture and associated human rights issues with commemorations and events, and by hosting the Drepung Gomang Sacred Arts Tours; we provide Louisville a welcoming space and programs relating to the practice of meditation, secular ethics, interfaith dialogue and peacemaking as inspired by His Holiness the Dalai Lama. We are dedicated to engaging compassion in the hearts of the community.

Drepung Gomang Center for Engaging Compassion / Tashi Gomang Dharma Center

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*“Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened.
Happiness never decreases by being shared.” Buddha Shakyamuni*

Name/s _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Preferred phone _____ Email _____

Signature/s _____ Today’s Date _____

I would like to commit as: _____ Sangha Member _____ Interfaith Member

Annual Membership

_____ Individual: \$50 _____ Family: \$110 _____ Student: \$35 _____ Senior: \$35

_____ I would like to talk to a staff member about an adjusted rate to fit my financial ability.

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_____ \$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$35 _____ \$50 Other _____

Compassion Circle

Supporters able to make a donation of \$1000 or more a year: _____ \$1000 Other _____

_____ Check _____ Cash _____ PayPal (DrepungGomangUSA.org) _____ Credit Card (call 502-614-5616)

My Time and Talent

Please select areas in which you would like to volunteer (or continue volunteering)

_____ Hospitality _____ Building/Grounds _____ Fundraising
 _____ Merchandise _____ Sacred Arts Tour _____ Special Events
 _____ Cleaning the Center _____ Preparation of Food _____ Providing Transportation

I would like to offer these special skills. Please include reference to your experience.

Take a moment to share what draws you to DGCEC. Please tell us about it on the other side of this form!

Thank you for your commitment to Drepung Gomang Center for Engaging Compassion!

Please drop off or mail to: DGCEC Membership, 411 N. Hubbards Lane, Louisville, KY 40207