

Chapters of the AHA are independent but closely connected local organizations that accept and support the mission of the AHA and are willing to coordinate activities.

Chapters are in substantial agreement with the AHA's policies, goals, and mission. Being a part of the structure of the AHA, Chapters receive preference when it comes to the allocation of resources. The AHA and its Chapters work together, which allows for a clear sense of identification and a chance for unity of action, all toward the goal of advancing Humanism.

What We Ask of Chapters:

- Have at least five AHA members in good standing.
- Provide two forms of public contact information for group and stay in contact with AHA.
- Provide list of local members and contacts for use in annual membership appeal.
- Make the democratic decision to be a chapter and use ongoing democratic governance.
- Adopt Humanism and Its Aspirations as values for the group.
- Share information about AHA and humanism with group members and visitors.
- Openly identify as a Chapter of the AHA and advocate for humanism.

Chapter Benefits:

- Chapter contact information will be publicized on the AHA's website, on official documents, and at the national conference.
- New and renewing AHA members (as well as The Humanist Society celebrants and chaplains) will be encouraged to join a local group.
- Chapter will have free or low cost access to AHA tabling materials, including stickers, brochures, magazines, newsletters, books, and bookmarks.
- Chapter will receive regular communications from the AHA that include recommended political and social actions.
- Chapter will have access to organizational development resources, a network of other local humanist groups, and assistance from AHA staff with fundraising and publicity.
- Chapter has access to AHA speakers' bureau. See <https://americanhumanist.org/what-we-do/speakers-bureau>.
- Chapter may promote important group events by having AHA notify current national members in the surrounding area.
- Chapter can apply for program grants annually – ranging from \$300 to \$2,000 – from the AHA's Chapter Grant Fund. See: <https://americanhumanist.org/what-we-do/grassroots/aha-chapter-program/chapter-grant-fund>.
- The AHA can provide Chapter with a non-profit, educational purpose, tax exemption. Chapters can use this designation to accept tax-deductible donations and to apply for a sales tax exemption in their state.
- Chapter can receive a professionally made personalized group logo, resembling the AHA logo, to promote local group.

For questions and information, please email field@americanhumanist.org