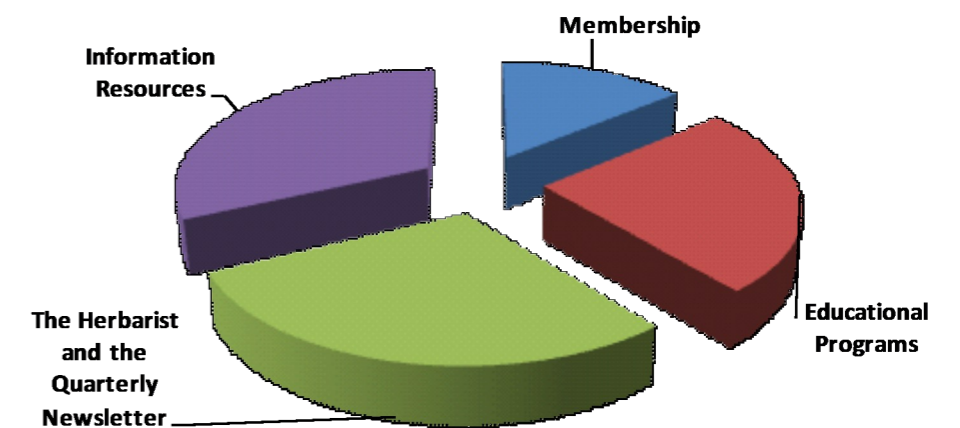


What is the Value of my HSA membership?

Membership Benefits	The Herb Society of America Member	Non-member
HSA quarterly newsletters	Available free to members only online	Not available
The Herbarist Annual Publication	Free	\$12.50 plus shipping
Essential Guide to the Notable Native Herb	Available free to members only online	Not available
Essential Guides to Herb of the Year	Available free to members only online	Not available
Reciprocal Gardens Admission with your HSA membership card	Free and/or discounts when you visit participating Arboreta, Botanical Gardens and Conservatories	Not available
Herb Fact Sheets for the yearly Promising Plants	Available free to members only	Not available
Membership Directory	Available free to members only online	Not available
Garden Gallery purchases	10% discount	Regular price
Annual Educational Conference and Meeting of the Members	\$50 discount	No discount for non-members
District Gatherings and Symposia	Varying member discounts	No discount for non-members
Education & Information resources	Access to over 3,000 herb related books and personal assistance from the HSA librarian	Not available
Archives and history	Access to storage for HSA historical documents and information	Not available
Headquarters staff	Available to assist members with educational information, resources and organizational questions.	Educational programs provided to the public are fee based
Building treasured friendships and networking with people with common interests in the use and delight of herbs.	Priceless !!	Not available



What do my dues pay for?

\$7.21	<p>Membership</p> <p>Includes American Horticulture's Reciprocal Admissions Program. This program provides you with an opportunity to visit botanical gardens and arboreta nationwide for free or at discounted admission prices.</p> <p>Website data base, supplies for membership cards, membership renewal, Rosemary Circle and Golden Sage recognition, Garden Gallery discount cards, tokens and awards.</p>
\$12.11	<p>Educational Programs</p> <p>Provide HSA members with a wealth of research, writing and herbal web information. Programs include:</p> <p>HSA Essential Guides to Notable Native Herbs and the Herb of the Year, herb fact sheets, and profiles on promising herbal plants. Plant Profiles .</p>
\$14.35	<p>Newsletter and The Herbarist</p> <p>Quarterly National newsletter and The Herbarist</p>
\$16.33	<p>Website, Informational Resources and Archives</p> <p>The HSA website connects you to a world of learning opportunities through educational information and links to a variety of herbal resources. Member only section which includes special member only features. HSA members receive library borrowing privileges</p>
\$50.00	<p>Thank you for being a member of The Herb Society of America. We are proud to support our members as they broaden their knowledge of herbs and their uses and pursue countless avenues of inquiry into botany, horticulture, history, cooking and art.</p>

Frequently Asked Member Questions?

Do any of HSA programs or services pay for themselves? Yes

- ◆ The Educational Conference and Annual Meeting of Members.
- ◆ District operations, which are covered by net proceeds from the district gatherings and donations to the district accounts.
- ◆ The Garden Gallery.
- ◆ HSA's Research Grants and Grants for Educators awards individuals or groups funding to study and contribute research results to further the knowledge and use of herbs and to develop and deliver learning experiences to the public. These grant program are funded through the Research and Education Board Restricted funds.

How is the National Herb Garden financially supported?

- ◆ The National Herb Garden, located on a two and a half acre site at the U.S. National Arboretum in Washington, D.C., was a gift from HSA to the citizens of the United States.
- ◆ The intern at the National Herb Garden is supported by donations from HSA members. Individually and through units, members provide donations to support the National Herb Garden Intern Account.
- ◆ Royalties from the *Essential Guide to Growing and Cooking with Herbs* and the proceeds from Amazon.com shopping are directed to the National Herb Garden Intern Account. HSA members from the area volunteer frequently to provide educational programs and help support the garden.

What expenses are not covered by HSA dues?

- ◆ Expenses incurred to house HSA's library, rare herbal books and historical archives, including maintenance and upkeep of headquarters.
- ◆ Expenses to obtain and maintain equipment and supplies to effectively run headquarters.
- ◆ Professional services to perform annual financial reviews and audits
- ◆ Professional services to promote and grow HSA (marketing and public relations, fundraising, and membership recruitment).

How do we cover the expenses?

- ◆ The annual fund campaign helps cover general operation expenses.
- ◆ Charitable contributions support special projects and programs.
- ◆ Interest and dividends from the HSA's investment accounts.

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<http://www.herbsociety.org/members/index.html>

General information

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Online donations may be made via PayPal
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Other ways to help, volunteer

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- ◆ HSA is a 501(c)(3) non profit educational and membership organization
- ◆ Each year, hundreds of members attend the Educational Conference and District Gatherings
- ◆ Since 1996 HSA has funded 29 research projects totaling over \$120,000 in grants
- ◆ The HSA membership has supported the National Herb Garden intern for 30 years. Financial support for the National Herb Garden and the intern has been in excess of \$524,000

