

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

New member Renewal

Name _____

Society/Organization _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____

Website _____

Email _____

- Individual \$25.00
- Society \$25.00
(genealogical, historical, family association)
- Associate \$25.00
(library, archive, educational institution,
vendor or business)
- Life membership \$300.00)
(Individual over age 50 only.)

Total enclosed: _____

Please make check payable to CSGA.

Send to: Treasurer, CSGA, PO Box 10195,
Oakland CA 94610-0195

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California State Genealogical Alliance
PO Box 10195
Oakland, CA 94610-0195



ABOUT THE ALLIANCE

The California State Genealogical Alliance (CSGA) was founded in 1982 as a non-profit organization and serves as a statewide alliance of independent genealogical and historical societies, archives, libraries, individuals and organizations. The Alliance was formed to address the need for statewide coordination of efforts to accomplish goals of benefit to all genealogists.

All Alliance projects are designed to strengthen local societies, increase record preservation and access and foster quality genealogical research. Yet, the Alliance respects the autonomy of each local society and functions as a link between societies for exchange of ideas and information.

Like other all-volunteer organizations, the Alliance depends on strong individual members who are active participants in local societies around the state and who extend their enthusiastic support so that major statewide projects can move forward.

Members have access to information and resources to aid in their research, and Alliance membership is open to all interested genealogical societies, libraries, archives and researchers.

Visit our website at www.csga.com for further information about CSGA and its services.

OUR MISSION

- Serve as an information source for the California genealogical community.
- Provide information to promote, assist and protect all California genealogical endeavors
- Monitor legislative action and provide information on current and proposed legislation affecting the genealogical community.
- Provide a means of open exchange for all California genealogical and historical societies, libraries and archives, and their members.
- Identify, assess, inventory and preserve the genealogical resources within the state.
- Promote and advertise genealogy
- Aid in record preservation and seek solutions to prevent the destruction of records and permit and/or provide access for all genealogists and historians.



WHAT WE OFFER

- CSGA keeps in touch with local societies through a network of **Regional Directors** (R.D.s). To find the director for your area, please refer to our website at www.csga.com
- Our **website, www.csga.com**, provides both members and the general public with genealogical information and resources. Make use of our Society Locator to quickly find a society by county, city, name or specialty. The locator includes ALL societies, archives and historical societies, not just those who are CSGA members. We also host a calendar of events for California and surrounding states. In our members-only section, we provide access to databases in and about California genealogy and other useful information.
- **CSGA Web Build** is another useful CSGA benefit. We can create, host and regularly update a simple one or two page website for our member societies, providing a very cost effective way for societies to quickly gain a web presence.
- **Our bimonthly newsletter** provides up-to-date information about new books, online databases, changes to the CSGA website, news from state and national societies, records access and preservation information, and a calendar of genealogical events.
- **Members can stay connected** with CSGA by joining our membership email list. This free service allows us to bring you timely information on California issues and CSGA projects and events. This feature is provided only to CSGA members.
- **Network in person** with CSGA at our three board meetings per year. Meetings alternate between northern and southern locations within the state. Our board meetings are always open to the public, and we welcome your attendance, input, questions, concerns and suggestions.