

BECOMING A MEMBER

- 1 Begin by expressing your interest to a member, or submit an inquiry at PAGrandLodge.org/join.
- 2 After you pass a background check, a member will discuss with you the purpose, values and history of the fraternity; the requirements and expectations of a potential member; and the benefits of membership.
- 3 The member will recommend a local lodge, to which you will submit a petition for membership.
- 4 Some members will visit your home to meet your family and answer any questions they may have.
- 5 Lodge members will vote on your petition for membership.
- 6 After a favorable vote, you will be enrolled in the Masonic Education program and assigned a mentor to prepare you for receiving your three degrees. You will be given access to the membership system and its many resources.



START YOUR JOURNEY TODAY

The Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania

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Become a Better Version of Yourself

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You only have one life.

Who do you want to be?

A better husband, father or friend?

A more effective leader, learner or volunteer?

If you want to be something much greater than yourself, Freemasonry may be your answer.

For three centuries, men have bonded together and taken an oath to live a life of integrity and brotherly love. Men committed to their families, to their communities, to those less fortunate and to one another.

Our diversity and "way of life" is part of our strength, allure and longevity. Men of different backgrounds from across the country and around the world come together as equals and call each other "Brother."

Freemasonry offers many unique opportunities to use your talents and resources to impact the lives of others and make the world a better place.

Whatever your life goals, Freemasonry can help you achieve them.

WHAT IS FREEMASONRY?

Freemasonry is a fraternity of brothers who share one common goal:

To help each other become better men.

We strengthen and improve our character by learning and applying the basic virtues of fraternal love, charity and truth to our daily lives. Freemasonry is a worldwide network of quality men who go out of their way to support one another, as well as their friends and families, through both life's challenges and achievements.

Freemasons believe in honor, truth and love for country and exhibit respect, kindness and tolerance, fully accepting of a brother's religion, race, age, status or culture.

To qualify for membership, a petitioner must be: male, at least 18 years of age and one who believes in the existence of a Supreme Being. He must be of good moral character, motivated to join for reasons unrelated to personal gain or profit, prompted by a favorable opinion of Freemasonry, eager to gain knowledge and be part of the long-standing traditions of the fraternity.



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Educational Opportunities

- Access to a circulating library with research and genealogical services
- Masonic education, public speaking, leadership training and networking opportunities
- Workshops, conferences and seminars for adults focused on skills and strategies to support the youth in their life
- Engaging programming and youth organizations that empower young people to develop into leaders
- Need and merit-based scholarships for students furthering their education and training
- Free guided tours of the magnificent Masonic Temple in Philadelphia, a national historic landmark

Supportive Services

Pennsylvania Masons and their families can receive:

- Temporary financial assistance
- Access to volunteer attorneys and financial planners who provide direction and advice on legal and financial matters
- Support and assistance for widows of Pennsylvania Masons
- Priority access to retirement living, personal care and nursing care in Elizabethtown, Lafayette Hill, Sewickley and Warminster, without regard to the ability to pay
- Free membership in the Masonic Blood+Organ Donor Program
- Benefits counseling and support for veterans (also available to non-Masons)