



## Multiple District Four

*Lions Clubs International*

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Dear Club Treasurer or Secretary;

Please share this information with the other members of the club. Welcome, new Clubs, to MD4!

Enclosed you will find your club invoice for the combined Sub-District Dues and the Multiple District Dues.

If there is an outstanding balance you will find it under the invoice total. Paper statements are only sent twice a year. Please contact the office if you have any questions. Your District Governor is responsible for monthly notifications of aging dues and is supplied with monthly reports and copies of your invoices to stay up to date.

**The bottom section of the invoice can be torn off and mailed back with your check in the window envelope provided. Please make checks payable to MD-4. You may have already received an invoice in an email; it is a duplicate.**

In addition you will find an explanation of the billing process on the back of this letter.

Be sure to check in at [www.md4lions.org](http://www.md4lions.org) from time to time for current information.

**UPDATE: Club MUST FILE TAXES with BOTH IRS and FTB.  
They are getting serious, so please comply.**

The State Franchise tax board has asked me to supply them with a roster of clubs and tax ID numbers. There are many closed clubs on their books who may have similar names of active clubs and we need to differentiate them.

Clubs are a 501c4 and foundations are a 501c3. Both need to be filed separately. If you don't have a foundation then you need only to file the club 501c4.

All forms and processes are obtainable at: **ftb.ca.gov** and search for **charities** and the publication Pub 1068, *Filing Requirements and Filing Fees*

**Please share this information with your club members.**

The Multiple is here to help you.

Kind Regards,

Cass Cara, MD-4 Executive Administrator

## **“Information regarding MD-4 Invoice Procedure”**

District & Multiple District Four dues invoices, for the fiscal year July 1-June 30, are sent to the clubs twice a year. The first billing period; July 1 through December 31 and the second January 1 through June 30. AKA “Per Capita Tax”.

- **Invoice is payable upon receipt.**
- The MD-4 and District annual dues are billed twice a year in August and February.
- The MD-4 dues are \$18.00 (\$9 twice a year) \*
- For the District Dues \$ amount collected on behalf of the Club’s District, please check your District Constitution and Bylaws.

According to the MD-4 Constitution we must base our billing on the number of members listed on your June and December, membership reports (MMR). **If you feel the number of members billed is incorrect, please do not adjust the balance; contact the MD-4 office.** We will adjust your account **as long as sufficient proof of membership from that time is obtainable.** **THE DUES IS NOT PRORATED BY MONTH;** it’s based on the one 6 month period recorded at the beginning of the semi yearly period. Please make sure your MMR is submitted to LCI on time to avoid any issues with billing. Members dropped after June and December still need to pay and members brought in after June and December will not pay dues until the next billing cycle.

\*All classifications of membership in **Lions Clubs International** must pay Multiple District and District dues. This includes Life members and the Affiliate member as well as Family. Student dues may vary per district and are except from MD4.

The **International dues** are \$43.00.

This is separate from the enclosed invoice from Multiple District Four. MD-4 and District dues have not been raised.

### **Semi Annual Billing Breakdown**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semi Annual Lions year billing:

- Dues for the period of July – December
- This invoice is sent to the Club Treasurer Mid-August
- Based on the LCI June Monthly Membership Report
- If membership has changed and the change is reflected on the July membership report.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semi Annual year billing:

- Dues for the period of January – June
- This invoice is sent to the Club Treasurer Mid-February
- Based on the LCI December Monthly Membership Report
- If membership has changed and the change is reflected on the January membership.

- *The MD4 Invoice includes Dues amounts for the District and the Multiple.*
  - *The District portion of the funds is returned to the District Cabinet Treasurer monthly.*
- DO NOT PAY THE DISTRICT SEPARATELY.**

Please make checks payable to MD4.

**Please send check to:**

Multiple District Four  
129 Los Aguajes Avenue  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101-3817

**A return window envelope is supplied; the bottom section may be cut off and mailed back.**

Thank you for all you do.

Member Title	status	Dues Intl	Dues MD	Dues Dist	Dues Club	Vote	delegate sub-district, md, intl	Hold Office	notes
Active	active	yes \$43.00	yes \$18.00	yes*	yes	yes	yes	yes	
Member at Large		yes \$43.00	yes \$18.00	yes*	optional	yes	no	no	A member of this club who has moved from the community, or because of health or other legitimate reason, is unable regularly to attend club meetings and desires to retain membership in this club.
Honorary	not member	yes	yes \$18.00	yes*	optional	no	no	no	All dues paid by club.
Privileged	non active	yes \$43.00	yes \$18.00	yes*	yes	yes	yes	no	15 year or more member. who, because of illness, infirmities, advanced age or other legitimate reason, as determined by the board of directors of this club, must relinquish his/her active status.
Life	active	one time 650	yes \$18.00	yes*	optional	yes	yes	yes	
Associate	active	no	no	no	optional	yes in person	no	no	Not reported on MMR. lives or works in the community served by this club Holds membership in another club
Affiliate	part-time	yes \$43.00	yes \$18.00	yes*	yes	yes	no	no	

## **Membership in a Lions club shall be as follows:**

**Active:** A member eligibility to seek, if qualified, any office in this club, district or association and the right to vote on all matters requiring a vote of the membership; and such obligation shall include prompt payment of dues, participation in club activities and conduct reflecting a favorable image of this Lions club in the community. This membership category shall be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

**Member-at-Large:** A member of this club who has moved from the community, or because of health or other legitimate reason, is unable regularly to attend club meetings and desires to retain membership in this club, and upon whom the board of directors of this club desires to confer this status. The status shall be reviewed each six months by the board of directors of this club. A Member-at-Large shall not be eligible to hold office or to vote in district or international meetings or conventions, but shall pay such dues as the local club may charge, which dues shall include district and international dues. This membership category shall be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

**Honorary:** An individual, not a member of this Lions club, having performed outstanding service for the community of this Lions club, upon whom this club desires to confer special distinction. This club shall pay entrance fees and international and district dues on such a member, who may attend meetings, but shall not be entitled to any privileges of active membership. This membership category shall not be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

**Privileged:** A member of this club who has been a Lion fifteen or more years, who, because of illness, infirmities, advanced age or other legitimate reason, as determined by the board of directors of this club, must relinquish his/her active status. A Privileged Member shall pay such dues as the local club may charge, which dues shall include district and international dues. He/she shall have the right to vote and be entitled to all other privileges of membership except the right to hold club, district or international office. This membership category shall be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

**Life Member:** Any member of this club who has maintained Active membership as a Lion for 20 or more years and has rendered outstanding service to this club, his/her community, or this association; or any member who is critically ill; or any member of this club who has maintained such active membership for 15 or more years and is at least 70 years of age; may be granted Life Membership in this club upon:

(1) recommendation of this club to the association,

(2) payment to the association of \$650.00, or its equivalent in the respective national currency, by this club in lieu of all future dues to the association, and Nothing herein shall prevent this club from charging a Life Member such dues as it shall deem proper.

A Life Member shall have all privileges of active membership so long as he/she fulfills all obligations thereof.

A Life Member who desires to relocate and receives an invitation to join another Lions club shall automatically become a Life Member of said club.

Former Lioness members, who are now Active members of their Lions club or who become Active members of a Lions club on or before June 30, 2007, may apply all of their prior Lioness service toward Life membership eligibility. Lioness members who become Active members of a Lions club after June 30, 2007, will not be eligible for Lioness service credit for the purposes of Life membership eligibility.

This membership category shall be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

**Associate Member:** A member who holds his/her primary membership in another Lions club but maintains a residence or is employed in the community served by this club. This status may be conferred by the invitation of the board of directors and shall be reviewed annually. The club shall not report an Associate Member on its Membership Report.

An Associate Member may be eligible to vote on club matters, at meetings where he/she is present in person, but may not represent the club as a delegate at district (single, sub-, provisional and/or multiple) or international conventions. He/she shall not be eligible to hold club, district or international office nor district, multiple district or international committee assignments through this club. International and district (single, sub-, provisional, and/or multiple) dues shall not be assessed on an Associate; PROVIDED, however, nothing shall prevent this club from assessing an Associate such dues as it shall deem proper. This membership category shall not be included in the club delegate formula calculation.

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**Affiliate Member:** A quality individual of the community who currently is not able to fully participate as an Active member of the club but desires to support the club and its community service initiatives and be affiliated with the club. This status may be conferred by the invitation

An Affiliate Member may be eligible to vote on club matters at meetings where he/she is present in person, but may not represent the club as a delegate at district (single, sub, provisional, and/or multiple) or international conventions.

He/she shall not be eligible to hold club, district or international office, nor district, multiple district or international committee assignment.

An Affiliate Member shall be required to pay district, international and such dues as the local club may charge. This membership category shall be included in the club delegate formula calculation.