



ReShare Membership Dues

This membership and dues model approved by the ReShare Steering Committee on February 10, 2026.

The dues are structured to recognize and reward project champions, foster a balanced influence aligned with investment levels, and support the sustainability of our project.

ReShare membership is open to any organization interested in supporting the Project, whether or not they are implementers. Organizations implementing ReShare as a resource sharing system are encouraged, but not required, to support the broader project through ReShare membership.

Key features of the membership dues structure include:

1. **Multiple Levels of Membership:** We understand that each organization's capacity to contribute varies. Therefore, there are multiple levels of membership. These levels focus on meeting operational costs while also recognizing the contributions of project champions. This approach aims to sustain the widest possible participation from a diverse range of organizations.
2. **Categories Based on Organization Type:** To ensure fairness and equitability, membership categories will be determined by organization type. This will allow us to tailor benefits and dues requirements to suit the specific needs and capabilities of each category.
3. **Categories Based on Service Levels:** It is recognized that some ReShare Members are “implementors” and others are not. Implementors are consortia that are actively using ReShare and have a higher level of investment in the product to ensure it continues to be viable.
4. **Equitable Influence:** All members are eligible to join committees. Our structure will ensure that influence within the project is distributed equitably, honors diverse input, and aligns with an organization's investment level. This approach comes with safeguards to maintain transparency and community accountability, striking a balance between large and small contributors.
5. **Regular Input on Product Enhancement Cycles:** We recognize the challenges posed by limited human resources within partnering organizations. To streamline decision-making, ReShare runs a system for member input to product enhancements, requiring minimal involvement from participating organizations to effect change and influence priorities. For those wishing to be more actively involved in the process, we also offer many opportunities to engage directly through our governance structure and working groups.

The dues structure is designed with the best interests of Project ReShare in mind. We aim to ensure that Project ReShare remains a thriving, inclusive, and sustainable initiative for the long term. We appreciate your continued support and collaboration.

This document describes the tiers and structures. Actual costs may vary year to year. A calculator will be published annually that shows actual costs for each tier.

If you have any questions or need further clarification on these changes, please feel free to reach out to the Project ReShare leadership team. Your input and feedback are valuable to us as we work together to build a more robust and dynamic community.

ReShare Membership Levels & Benefits

	Member Type	ReShare Voting Representa tive(s)	Eligible for Steering Committee	Notes/ Limitations
Individual Institutions	Individual	1	Yes, if elected	
	Individual Sustaining	1	Yes, if elected	Featured on Project ReShare website
	Allied Member	1	Yes, if elected	Available only to individual libraries whose consortium has already joined ReShare as a Consortium
Library Consortia	Consortium	1	Yes, if elected	
	Consortium Sustaining	1	Yes, if elected	Featured on Project ReShare website

	Member Type	ReShare Voting Representati ve(s)	Eligible for Steering Committee	Notes/ Limitations
Nonprofits	Supporting Non-Profit	n/a	No	
	Sustaining Non-Profit	1	Yes, if elected	Featured on Project ReShare website
Corporate	Supporting Corporate Partner	n/a	No	
	Sustaining Corporate Partner	1	Yes, if elected	Featured on Project ReShare website

*For all member types, the Steering Committee may accept in-kind contributions as a substitute for dues when those contributions directly contribute to operational costs of the project

Member Dues Model

ReShare Member Dues are constructed of two parts, a base due and implementor due. Individual, Corporate, Non-Profit, and non-implementing Consortia will all have zero for the implementor tiers. While the tiers are the same, the amount varies between Individual and Consortium. **Member Level will also change the amount of dues:**

- **Supporting** (*Base Dues*)
- **Sustaining** (*2x Base Dues*)
- **Allied** (*0.5x Base Dues*)

Tiers Supporting Base Dues

Base dues are generally calculated by size tiers. There are different tiers for public and academic libraries. Consortia count member libraries in each tier to calculate their base dues. Corporate and Non-Profit dues only depend on Membership Level.

RESHARE PUBLIC LIBRARY TIERS	
	Size (ALA-based Tiers)
Very Small	<10,000
Small	10k - 24k
Medium	25k - 99k
Large	100 - 499k
Very Large	>500k

RESHARE ACADEMIC LIBRARY TIERS	
Individual Library Tiers	Total materials/ services expenditures (Most recent FY, reported by IPEDS)
1	<\$500k
2	\$500k-\$1.5m
3	\$1.5m-\$2.5m
4	\$2.5m-\$5m
5	\$5m-\$10m
6	\$10m-\$15m
7	\$15m-\$20m
8	\$20m - \$25m
9	\$25m +
RESHARE CORPORATE / OTHER NON-PROFIT	

ORGANIZATIONS	
ORGANIZATION TYPE	Size Tier
Non-Profit	[none]
Corporate	[none]

Notes on Base Dues

1. 10% discount with a three-year commitment
2. Minimum consortium fee: \$3,500 for Public Library consortia, \$4,500 for consortia with both public and academic libraries, and \$5,000 for academic library consortia.
3. **Minimum** Sustaining consortial fee = **GREATER** of 2x the minimum consortium commitment **OR** sum of per library consortial sustaining dues
4. Materials Budget defined by IPEDS : Total materials/services expenditures (AL2024); Library Service Population defined by IMLS, with exceptions made for State Libraries
5. Public libraries are counted per main branch only, regional libraries count as a single library
6. Allied membership fees paid centrally by the consortium receive an extra 5% discount

Tiers Supporting Adopter Dues

Adopter dues are calculated by the number of tenants and records in the system. By definition, only consortia with an active resource sharing network using ReShare will have either tenants or records. Adopters will also have a share of what is called Tablestakes, which is a third flat rate that every adopter share.

Tenant Definition: a tenant is a custom, configurable partition of the consortium's shared ReShare implementation, with its own discrete data, user accounts, roles, and local settings for a defined group of users. Typically, each tenant corresponds to an individual library, which allows for individual library integration points, staff processing, and settings configuration, but sometimes multiple libraries share a single tenant to act as a joint service point.

Records Definition: The number of Records is defined as the number of bibliographic records in the shared index for your consortium, contributed via OAI feeds or by FTP loads.

RESHARE TENANT TIERS	
Tenant Count Tiers	Total Number of Tenants
1	1-10
2	11-25
3	26-50
4	51-75
5	75+
RESHARE RECORD TIERS	
RECORD Count Tiers	Total Number of Record
a	< 10,000,000
b	10,000,001 – 25,000,000
c	25,000,001 – 50,000,000
d	50,000,001 – 75,000,000
e	75,000,001 +