

Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California (JCCNC)

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California (JCCNC) was founded in 1951 to promote business, mutual understanding, and goodwill between Japan and the United States. JCCNC also supports businesses from Japan wishing to open an office or expand their business in Northern California.

JCCNC is the only Japanese chamber of commerce in the United States founded by Japanese Americans. One of its unique qualities lies in its comprising Japanese and Japanese American businesses, corporations, and organizations, most with ties between Northern California and Japan. For more information on JCCNC's mission and goals, please refer to the website at <http://jccnc.org>.

1. Membership Fees

Corporate membership fees are determined by the number of full-time employees and whether the corporation or its ultimate parent company is listed on a stock market in Japan or the United States. Please see the table below for the types of membership and the respective membership fees. (Revised on FY2024)

	Ultimate parent company not listed/listed on the stock market*	Number of Employees	Annual Fees
Corporate members	Not listed	1-5	\$800
		6-10	\$1,600
		11-100	\$2,400
		More than 100	\$3,200
	Listed	1-30	\$2,400
		More than 31	\$3,200
Associate	Scholar, Retiree	Per Person	\$320
Student	Student (currently enrolled)	Per Student	\$30

* "Ultimate parent company" is defined as the ultimate investor with a direct or indirect capital relationship with the applicant company.

* Students must provide a valid student ID, proof of enrollment in an educational institution, and a brief statement of why the student desires to become a member.

* Annual Fees are adjusted monthly and pro-rated in case the joining occurs in the middle of the FY.

2. Member Benefits

Membership benefits include Priority participation in various events listed below; expanding networks in the Bay Area and Northern California; access to the JCCNC membership directory, etc.

Seminars: Seminars are typically held monthly and feature a variety of topics including flying cars, the Silicon Valley ecosystem, sexual harassment prevention training, and corporate information management. Networking sessions follow each seminar.

Annual Sacramento Visit: Every June, JCCNC sends a delegation to meet with legislators for the State of California. Concerns and questions are collected from members in advance so that California legislators can communicate with them. A report on the annual Sacramento visit is distributed among members and posted to the website. JCCNC acts as a point of contact for government agencies and also cosponsors with JETRO a biennial survey among Japanese companies.

Support for California Driver's License: JCCNC communicates directly with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to assist with driver's license issues for employees of JCCNC member companies.

New Year's Party: The committee organizes a New Year celebration and networking opportunity for over 500 participants annually. The evening entertainment includes a concert featuring renowned recording artists and door prize raffles. Past artists include Anri, Hideki Saijo, and violinist Taro Hakase. Members are encouraged to invite their customers. Many wonderful prizes are provided by generous member companies.

Golf Tournament: JCCNC organizes an annual golf tournament for JCCNC member companies and their guests and is one of the largest tournaments held in Northern California with approximately 150 golfers each year. Fantastic prizes donated by member companies are provided to top performers and attendees at the awards ceremony after the tournament.

Networking Event: Networking events are held to deepen relationships among members. Non-members may be invited to participate.

JCCNC Golf Club: Membership in the JCCNC Golf Club provides golfers with a Northern California Golf Association (NCGA) card which provides discounts to members on green fees at Poppy Hills Golf Course, Poppy Ridge Golf Course at Pebble Beach, and many other courses. (First-time annual fee is currently \$50.)

Cooperation and Contribution to the Community and Their Events: Every April, JCCNC supports and participates in the Northern California Cherry Blossom Festival in San Francisco. Other activities to support the Japanese American communities include annual student scholarships; and organizing a biennial Manzanar National Historic Site Visit.