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## 2012 Investment Schedule

*The Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to being the primary advocate for businesses in the Grain Valley area by promoting economic development, providing educational resources and partnering with our members to improve the business environment and community image.*

Your membership investment in the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce is determined by the schedules listed below. Investments are based on two factors: number of full-time equivalent employees, and the type of firm or organization. The annual Membership cost is generally determined by the employee level which applies to your company. The General Membership box shows the schedule of these investment amounts. However, the General Membership fees do not apply to those companies that fit into one of the Special Investment Categories listed below in the box on the right.

<b>General Membership</b>	
<u>(Based on full-time employees)</u>	
(Two half-time employees= One full time employee)	
Friend (Not representing or associated with a company)	\$ 50
Self Employed (No employee's)	\$ 100
2 to 30 Employees	\$ 150
31 to 100 Employees	\$ 300
101 to 500 Employees	\$ 600
501 + Employees	\$1,200
Membership runs per calendar year	

<b>Special Investment Categories</b>	
<b>Banks &amp; Financial Institutions</b>	<b>\$600</b>
<b>Utility Companies</b>	<b>\$600</b>
<b>Hospitals</b>	<b>\$600</b>
<b>Hotels/Motels</b>	<b>\$150</b> <b>Plus \$1.00 per room</b>
<b>Public Institutions i.e. School District, Fire Department, City</b>	<b>\$300</b>
<b>Church or Civic Organizations:</b>	<b>\$ 75</b>
<b>90 Day Guarantee:</b> Attend 2 Chamber events in the first 90 days; if you are not satisfied, your money will be refunded.	

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Representative(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Web address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Full-Time Employees \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Membership Investment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

New Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Recruited by \_\_\_\_\_



## **MEMBER BENEFITS:**

### **BUSINESS REFERRALS:**

The Chamber receives numerous request each month for names, address & telephone numbers of local businesses and professionals. Only Grain Valley Chamber members in good standing are given as referrals.

### **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS NETWORKING (AT LEAST ONCE A QUARTER):**

An excellent networking opportunity to make business contacts, and to have other GV Chamber members come to your business for a first hand look at your location.

### **CHAMBER NEWSLETTER:**

This is a monthly newsletter keeping our members up to date on what's going on inside the Chamber. A calendar of events where you can list an event that your having, as well as a 2x2 ad space (Free) that you can advertise your business in. The monthly newsletters are also displayed on our website.

### **GET YOUR BUSINESS PROFILED:**

This is a section in our monthly newsletter that we profile one of our chamber members each month.

### **CHAMBER CHOICE:**

This is a partnership with **Blue Cross / Blue Shield Insurance** in which chamber members can get a different rate than non-members.

### **COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT:**

As a member, you are both welcomed and encouraged to get involved in any of the Chamber committees you wish. Volunteers like yourself are the backbone of the Chamber – you can make a difference by participating!

### **MARKETING & RESOURCE INFORMATION:**

The Chamber maintains a wide variety of information on the community, including community demographics, industrial and economic development resources and information on starting a new business. In addition to statistics and data, the office has listings of clubs and organizations, tourist information, maps and other basic facts.

### **MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEONS:**

The luncheons are a great networking opportunity to share your product services on a monthly basis with other Chamber members. Each luncheon has a scheduled program with speakers who address current topics of interest for a business, current happenings in the Grain Valley community and school districts.

**MEMBERSHIP PLAQUES:**

As a member of the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce you will be given a membership plaque to display in your business. Each year you are in good standing with the Chamber you will receive a year display to place on your plaque.

**RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES:**

The Chamber will come out to your business to have a ribbon cutting for you, whether you are a new business or just moving locations. The local paper will be notified and invited to come to report on the event, other Chamber members are invited to come visit your business at this time also. The picture of the ribbon cutting will be placed in The Pointe newspaper with a brief description of your business.

**1/5 PAGE SIZE AD IN EACH OF THE POINTE AND THE GRAIN VALLEY EXAMINER (FREE):**

As a new member, you will receive one 1/5 page size ad in The Pointe as well as one 1/5 page size ad in the Grain Valley Examiner.

**WEBSITE:**

The Chamber host a website in which its members are listed under a Member Directory, which can include a link to the individual members own website. The Chamber website gives information and statistics on all aspects of Grain Valley, the business community, the school district, economic development, calendar of events and any other current Grain Valley Chamber information.

**WEEKLY E-MAIL BLAST:**

Each week the Grain Valley Chamber sends out an e-mail to all its members informing them of upcoming events sponsored by the Chamber itself and those current happenings of other Chamber members. Also included with this information are specials that a member may be having at their business. This is an opportunity to get your business information out to other Chamber members simply by sending me a PDF flyer of the event.

## GET YOUR BUSINESS PROFILED!

Attention all Chamber members, we would like to profile your business for you. Please fill out the following questions and any other pertinent information about your business you would like other Chamber members and the general public to know about. We will then be publishing this through out the year in our newsletter and also sending it to the local papers for publication. We would like to start this column in our September Chamber Chat. Please return a copy of this to the Chamber ASAP. If you would like to print off & fax back to us the number is 816-847-2555. If you have any questions about the "Business Profile" give us a call at the office 816-847-2627.

Let us help you get the word out about your business in Grain Valley!

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours of Operation: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business / Service you provide: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason you have your business in Grain Valley: \_\_\_\_\_

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Any awards, honors, special accomplishments, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

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Any other Pertinent Information you would like to provide: \_\_\_\_\_

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