



GREATER NEVADA HINDU TEMPLE (GNHT)

A Non-Profit Tax-Exempt 501(C)(3) Organization Tax ID # 83-3613782

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Puja Policy and Guidelines

Temple and Home pujas are coordinated by the temple priest and Puja Subcommittee.

The Puja Subcommittee includes a group of dedicated volunteers. They ensure:

- All auspicious pujas are celebrated at the temple in Vedic Style under the guidance of the priest.
- Arrange for Prasad for special pujas whenever required.
- Coordinate food logistics as required.
- Coordinate garland making for different pujas.
- Keep the community updated in advance about the temple events/pujas.

GNHT is pleased to offer the services of our Priest for home pujas at devotees' request

- Devotees contact the priest directly to request a home puja.
- The priest suggests an auspicious Muhurat.
- The priest informs the Puja Committee, who confirms temple availability and provides official confirmation and Puja fee details to the devotee.

Payment

GNHT assesses a standard fee for providing priest services for home pujas. The amount varies based on the type of puja being performed. The host may submit payment either at the time of scheduling or after the puja is completed.

Accepted payment methods include:

Cash: Place the payment in an envelope, clearly labeled with the devotee's name, address, and purpose, and deposit it in the temple hundi.

- Zelle
 - Stripe
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- Alternatively, after the puja, the devotee may provide cash or a check (preferred) directly to the priest in a sealed envelope. The envelope should be clearly marked for GNHT and include the devotee's name and address, and Puja name to ensure proper recording.

Home Puja Guidelines for devotees

We encourage devotees to schedule home pujas during Temple's closed hours as much as possible, allowing our priest to give full attention to temple services. Nevertheless we will fully accommodate the real needs of the community at any time.

- Specify the puja at the time of booking.
- Request the puja samagri list and arrange all items in advance.
- Inform the priest of any family customs to be included.
- Set up the puja space before the priest arrives to avoid delays.
- Be ready 10-15 minutes early to help maintain the schedule. Any delays will affect Panditji's subsequent schedules.
- Please be considerate when scheduling or canceling services, as our temple has only one priest and relies on volunteers who adjust their personal schedules to keep the temple open when the priest is away doing private pujas.
- If you need to cancel a puja, kindly inform us at least 24 hours in advance. The temple will also notify you promptly if Panditji becomes unavailable for any reason.
- A Mileage fee will be assessed if the distance from temple to the devotee's home exceeds 50 miles.

Thank you for your understanding as we balance the needs of the temple and the community.
