

PRIA Local - Bringing PRIA Home

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What is the Purpose of PRIA Local?

- ▶ A way to bring PRIA ideas and products home
- ▶ A meeting structure for your local government and business real property records industry colleagues
- ▶ It's easier to collaborate, devise solutions, and even legislate when you know your colleagues

Why Have a PRIA Local?

- ▶ Make it easy to share PRIA ideas and products
- ▶ A cost-effective educational tool
- ▶ Bring together local colleagues

A Proven, Effective Structure for Communication

- ▶ Start-up materials are online
- ▶ Adaptable to your locale
- ▶ Requirements are simple:
 - 2 co-chairs (1 government and 1 business)
 - No fees

PRIA Local Meeting Topics are PRIA Topics too

- ▶ Sovereign Citizens
- ▶ Deed Fraud
- ▶ Standardized Indexing
- ▶ GIS Practices
- ▶ Preservation of Electronic Records
- ▶ Cybersecurity Issues (such as ransomware and wire fraud)
- ▶ eRecording Best Practices
- ▶ Artificial Intelligence
- ▶ Blockchain

PRIA Local Meeting Topics are PRIA Topics too

- ▶ Best Practices for Certifying Copies
- ▶ Predictable Recording Fees Toolkit
- ▶ Document Formatting
- ▶ GIS Practices
- ▶ Redaction Best Practices and Legislation
- ▶ Reducing Document Rejections

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- ▶ Electronic Notarization Guidelines and Remote Online Notarization
- ▶ Certification for Document Recording Officials
- ▶ Bulk Records Pricing
- ▶ Privacy Issues
- ▶ Educational Webinars

A Few Facts About PRIA Local

- ▶ PRIA Local, formerly called PREP – started in 2004
- ▶ PRIA Local is a part of PRIA's EDUCATION committee, and is involved on PRIA's Communication committee
- ▶ PRIA funds part-time staff to assist with:
 - Creating Chapters, advertising meetings, finding speakers, posting daily LinkedIn news articles, and distributing the monthly PRIA Local Newsletter (which highlights chapter meetings, ALTA news, and relevant national news)

A Few Facts About PRIA Local

- ▶ PRIA membership not required for participation - no dues are ever required
- ▶ Rules for formation, schedules, topics, are all very flexible
- ▶ There have been different Chapter formations, and numbers of Chapters in many states over the years
- ▶ There can be multiple Chapters in a state or locale – and can be based on what works best in your area

A Few Facts About PRIA Local

Chapters currently in place (2025):

- ▶ Northern California, Southern California, Gold Country CA, Washington State, Pure Michigan, Greater Wisconsin, Central Florida, SE Minnesota, Metro Minnesota, Central Minnesota, Red River Minnesota, East Central Missouri, Lake Erie Ohio, Utah, Heart of Iowa, Roughriders ND, Silver State Nevada, Central Texas, SE Pennsylvania, South Carolina

A Few Facts About PRIA Local

- ▶ Some Chapters are new, some have been restarted under new leadership and some have been meeting regularly for over 16 years.
- ▶ Consider accepting the **PRIA Local Challenge** which allows for a new or re-starting Chapter to have a 1-year free PRIA membership to the participant of their choice, just for starting up a Chapter.
- ▶ We'd like MORE CHAPTERS! Please consider [joining](#) the PRIA Local family