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## PRIMA member news

### Apply to serve on PRIMA's Board of Directors



Each year, PRIMA selects **government** members to serve on its board of directors. Serving on the Board offers you a unique opportunity to contribute to advancing the public risk management profession on a national level!

#### **Serving on the PRIMA board comes with numerous benefits, including:**

- Playing a significant role in advancing your profession
- Strengthening the value of PRIMA to the risk management community
- Exchanging ideas and perspectives with other volunteer leaders

Any **designated voting representative** directly employed by the entity they represent is eligible to serve as a PRIMA board member.

Don't miss this chance to shape the future of PRIMA and your profession.

**Submit your applications by January 9, 2026.**

[Download an application](#)

**Note: You must be a PRIMA government member in order to serve on the Board of Directors.**

## PRIMA Awards

**Be recognized: Apply for a 2026 PRIMA Award**



Each year during PRIMA's Annual Conference, PRIMA celebrates individuals and public entities that have made exceptional contributions to the public risk management profession. **This is a time to honor your hard work on behalf of your organization and the communities you serve!**

The 2026 awards will be presented during the PRIMA Awards Program and Luncheon on **Monday, June 8, 2026** in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

PRIMA members who have developed innovative programs or products or demonstrated an outstanding commitment to public sector risk management are invited to apply for the following awards:

- Public Risk Manager of the Year Award
- Outstanding Achievement for Public Risk Management Program
- Outstanding Achievement for a Public Risk Management Product
- Outstanding Achievement for an Intergovernmental Risk Pool Program or Product
- Outstanding Achievement for Enterprise Risk Management
- Chapter Recognition Award
- Chapter Service Award

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#)

**\*The application deadline is February 27, 2026\***

## PRIMA Scholarships

### Apply for a 2026 PRIMA Annual Conference scholarship



PRIMA is dedicated to empowering your career growth and ongoing education by offering multiple conference scholarships annually. Don't miss your chance - **apply now for the opportunity to attend PRIMA26 in Fort Lauderdale, June 7-10, 2026.**

The annual conference scholarship enables risk management professionals lacking company financial support to have the opportunity to attend the annual conference.

Scholarships opportunities available:

- Annual Conference Scholarship
- Non-Risk Scholarship
- Small Entity Scholarship
- Tribal Scholarship

### What's included?

Each scholarship is valued at more than \$1,500 and includes:

- Complimentary full conference registration
  - ° Pre-conference sessions, seminars, and guest registration are not included.
  - ° Accommodations will be provided at a conference hotel of PRIMA's choice.
- Three-night hotel stay in Fort Lauderdale, FL
- \$250 stipend to help offset travel expenses

## Criteria

- Must meet the scholarship type description
- Demonstrate financial need
- **Current resume**

**The deadline to apply is February 16, 2026.** For more information and to apply, [click here.](#)

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## Now accepting 2026 PRIMA student scholarship applications



Students studying risk management, public policy, public administration, economics, business, human resources, or related fields are encouraged to apply for PRIMA's 2026 Annual Conference Student Scholarship for a chance to attend the 46th Annual Conference, June 7–10, 2026, in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Recipients receive complimentary registration, meals, lodging, transportation, mentorship opportunities, and a one-year PRIMA student membership with access to exclusive resources.

Students studying risk management, public policy, public administration, economics, business, human resources, or related fields are encouraged to apply. **Applications are due February 16, 2026.**

[Learn more](#)

The Student Scholarships are proudly sponsored by



## Upcoming PRIMA Education opportunities

You don't need to be a PRIMA member to participate in PRIMA's events. However, you'll save on the cost of registration if your entity or organization is a PRIMA member.

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### Sign up for PRIMA's Emerging Tech & Risk Symposium



Explore how Artificial Intelligence (AI), cybersecurity, and data privacy are reshaping public risk management at PRIMA's Emerging Tech and Risk Symposium!

This three-day virtual symposium will provide critical insights and strategies to help you mitigate risks and maximize the benefits of emerging technologies within your entity.

[Learn more and register](#)

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### Enhance your leadership skills at PRIMA Leadership Academy



Registration is now open for PLA, taking place March 3-4, 2026, in Alexandria, VA. This two-day program is designed for public risk

professionals seeking to strengthen their leadership capacity. Participants will learn to diagnose challenges, mobilize stakeholders, and navigate complex issues with agility.

PLA26 will feature a new instructor and expanded content!

[Register](#)

## Upcoming PRIMA webinars

### **Dec. 17 webinar - Value-Added Services: How to Get the Most from Your Insurance Partnerships**



Value-added services can include a myriad of insurance and risk management support services provided in conjunction with insurance brokerage and insurance provider relationships. The extent to which value-added services are offered is not always well communicated and, in many cases, these important support services go underutilized.

Please join our speakers as they share what value-added services are, how value-added services can enhance your risk management programs and what you should expect from your insurance partners.

[Register](#)

## Other PRIMA Education opportunities

### **Bring PRIMA's ERM training to your office**





Take your team's risk management skills to the next level - without the hassle of travel. PRIMA's In-House ERM Training delivers expert-led professional development tailored to your organization's needs, whether virtually or on-site.

With customized content, flexible scheduling, and industry-leading instructors, PRIMA makes it easy to strengthen your risk management strategy.

[Get started](#)

## Additional PRIMA resources

Please check out [PRIMA's website](#) to learn more about additional educational opportunities and resources available.

## PRIMA membership

The Public Risk Management Association (PRIMA) is the one-stop resource for education and training, risk resources, and networking opportunities for public sector risk managers.

For more information about PRIMA membership, please contact Paul Gerard, Manager of Membership, at (703) 253-1266 or [membership@primacentral.org](mailto:membership@primacentral.org).

Please also check out PRIMA's [membership brochure](#).