



Safe Gatherings

About

The Rio Texas Conference is committed to ensuring that we provide safe places of worship and fellowship to everyone we serve. As part of that commitment we are providing information on Safe Gatherings as a resource for you in this important area.

Safe Gatherings is an online abuse prevention program that screens and educates staff and volunteers to help prevent abuse of children, youth, and vulnerable adults in group settings. When employees and volunteers are trained to identify potential abusers, recognize the signs of abuse, and know how to handle reporting, they are better equipped to prevent abuse.

When using Safe Gatherings, upon successful completion of the application, background and reference checks, and the online training program, each applicant will receive documentation of approval valid for two years, and will have continued access to the online training program for an entire year.

The price per applicant for our individual church program available through the Safe Gatherings website is \$35. At this time, Rio Texas Conference churches and ministries are asked to pay \$10 towards the cost of the individual background screening. Churches and/or applicants may choose to pay the entire \$35 if they would like to help subsidize the cost of this important ministry. This fee includes processing of two electronic references, a national and county of residence 7-year background check, national and state of residence Sex Offender Registry check, and the online abuse prevention and boundary awareness training.

Details

Church/Organization Set-up:

Contact [SafeGatherings](https://www.safegatherings.com) via phone (888.241.8258) or email (info@safegatherings.com) to confirm your contact information and finalize the set-up of your [SafeGatherings](https://www.safegatherings.com) Administration account. Your administration account will help you track your staff's and volunteer's certification process, approval status, and recertification date.



Individual Staff/Volunteer Certification:

1. Register at <https://safegatherings.com/app/registration>
2. Fill out the online application
3. View and complete Safe Gatherings online training
4. Attend Trusted con Confianza training
5. login to account at any time to check the status of their application.

Note: All churches in the Conference are already set up in Safe Gatherings. Applicants must correctly choose the denomination, state and city where your church is located, and the church will display in a drop-down menu as you begin the application process.

Contact

Contact the Safe Gatherings team at contact@safegatherings.com or (888) 241-8258 for additional information or with questions about the program.

Start the process

Click here to start the Safe Gatherings process - <https://safegatherings.com/app/registration>

Click here to log in to your Safe Gatherings application after you have completed your registration - <https://safegatherings.com/app/login>