

Dear Stark County SHRM Members,

I'm excited to share an important update about the future of our chapter. Beginning December 8, 2025, Stark County SHRM will move to a **dual membership model** with SHRM National. This means that when you join or renew, you'll do so once — and you will automatically be a member of both SHRM National and Stark County SHRM.

I want to highlight what this change means for you:

- A SIMPLER MEMBERSHIP EXPERIENCE

  No more separate renewals. One membership keeps you connected to both your local HR community and the national HR network.
- More Focus on Programming & Connection
  With fewer administrative processes to manage, our board can devote more time to what
  matters most: delivering relevant, high-quality programs and meaningful opportunities to
  learn and connect with other HR professionals in our region.
- SEAMLESS ACCESS TO SHRM NATIONAL RESOURCES

  Dual membership provides immediate access to SHRM's HR tools, templates, compliance resources, research, and certification support paired with the relationships, community, and real-world conversations that only come from being local.
- STRENGTHENING OUR CHAPTER'S VOICE Aligning with SHRM ensures our chapter remains supported, resourced, and part of a strong professional network positioning us to serve you even better.

Over the coming weeks, we will share clear step-by-step information about how this transition will work based on your current membership status. We want this to feel smooth, clear, and simple.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me or any board member. We are here to support you and are genuinely excited about the expanded value this brings to our members and community.

Thank you for being part of Stark County SHRM — your presence and participation are what make this chapter meaningful and strong.

With

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President, Stark County SHRM