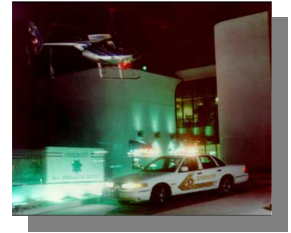


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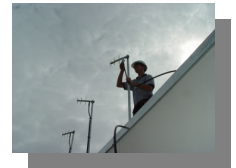
What Is CPRA?

The California Public-Safety Radio Association (CPRA) is the Southern California Chapter of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials – International, Inc. The international association known as APCO is comprised of approximately 15,000 members worldwide in 46 chapters all dedicated to the enhancement of public safety communications.



CPRA's mission is to serve the "behind the scenes" people who manage, operate, maintain, and supply the communications systems used by public safety officials. There are 500 plus professionals in CPRA. They support over 230 law, fire, and emergency medical services agencies protecting the life and property of the 25 million citizens located in southern California. Monthly, the Chapter comes together in a professional forum to share the latest in technology advances, exchange "how to" information, conduct frequency coordination, and develop business relationships with colleagues. There is a strong presence of commercial members within the Chapter. Their contributions are critical to the life of the Chapter.

CPRA is one of the most active chapters within APCO International. It is home to a number of APCO past presidents, plus a distinguished list of Life Members, and Senior Members. The Chapter regularly hosts some of the most highly attended and successful APCO Western Regional Conferences. CPRA has a well deserved national reputation for its role in developing solutions that sustain quality public safety communications for the "first responder" community.

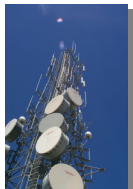


A Brief Biographical Sketch of CPRA



CPRA began its history as the California Police Radio Association. It traces its roots back to 1935. As the need for a more organized handling of police radio channels developed, a number of police radio stations got together and formed the California Police Radio Association (CPRA). A decision was made to separate the State into two organizational elements with Fresno as the dividing line. (This would later serve as the basis for forming two APCO chapters within California.)

After attending an APCO Conference in Toledo, OH, the officers of CPRA decided to affiliate with the national organization. The decision to join APCO was approved by a unanimous vote on March 30, 1945. At that time there were about 100 members in CPRA. Since it was a separate organization when it



joined APCO, the title CPRA was retained as the name for the chapter. This is the only chapter in APCO with this distinction. All other chapters have APCO in their name. Later two chapters were formed in California: Northern APCO (NAPCO) representing counties in northern California and CPRA representing counties in southern California. In a follow on action, the Chapter changed its name from the California Police Radio Association to the present day title the California Public-Safety Radio Association.

Looking Forward

Since 1945, CPRA has grown steadily in size and scope. The members of CPRA proudly look forward to serving the public safety community, the citizens of southern California, and APCO International for many years to come. *(Contributed in part by Charles Taylor)*

