

Arena & ShelbyNext Financials

Hardware & Software Requirements

Web Authoring and Hosting Freedom

Arena is a web-authoring tool as well as church management software. Use web tools within Arena to create your public and private websites and administrate the workflow of communications and event promotions. Arena provides you the ability to choose the hosting option that best suits your needs.

For a Self-Hosted Solution:		Minimum Requirements	Optimum Performance Recommendations
Web Server	Operating System	Windows Server 2016*	Windows Server 2019*
	Processor	Dual Core	Quad Core 2.5 GHz or higher
	RAM (Memory)	2 GB	4 GB or higher
	Disk Space	32 GB	32 GB or higher
Data Server	Operating System	Windows Server 2016*	Windows Server 2019*
	Processor	Dual Core	Quad Core 2.5 GHz or higher
	RAM (Memory)	4 GB	16 GB or higher
	Disk Space	32 GB	50 GB or higher
	Database Management	SQL Server Standard 2016* with Reporting Services	SQL Server 2019* with Reporting Services
Check-In Kiosks	Operating System	Windows 10 Professional*	Windows 10 Professional*
	Processor	Dual Core	Quad Core
	RAM (Memory)	2 GB	4 GB or higher
Contribution Entry	Operating System	Windows 10 Professional*	Windows 10 Professional*
	Processor	Dual Core	Quad Core
	RAM (Memory)	2 GB	4 GB or higher
Family Registrations Workstation	Operating System	Windows 10 Professional*	Windows 10 Professional*
	Processor	Dual Core	Quad Core
	RAM (Memory)	2 GB	4 GB or higher

Security

- Built on Microsoft's SQL and .NET framework, Arena provides excellent security and stability.

Additional Information/Clarifications:

- 3Mbs or better Internet connection is highly recommended.
- Microsoft SQL Server will be required to install or update.
- .NET Framework 4.7.1 or higher will be required to install or update.
- Internet Information Services (IIS) must be installed on the web server.
- Microsoft SQL 2012 is only compatible with Arena 2013.1.100 and higher, as well as Shelby v.5 5.13.1000 and higher. Microsoft SQL 2014 is only compatible with Arena 2014.2.100 and higher, as well as Shelby v.5 5.14.1000 and higher SQL 2016 + 2017 with 2200.1.100 + ShelbyNext Financials 9.0 and up. This information is subject to change. Please watch the program release notes for Arena & Shelby v.5 for changes in compatibility. If also using Shelby v.5 with Arena, both databases must be installed on the same instance of SQL. The v.5 database must be installed prior to the installation of Arena.
- If you are using an SBS Server, Arena must be installed on a member server.
- Contribution Entry and Family Registration must be on the local network with the SQL server.
- * We follow the Microsoft OS Lifecycle. Please review the Microsoft scheduled end-of-life for any OS and SQL server options being considered.