

## WASHINGTON REALTORS® MEMBER SERVICES

As your trade Association, we are in a position to offer member services at the local, state and national levels. These services are not intended to compete with the services your office offers, but to leverage our group discounts and collective buying power.

### LEGAL HOTLINE Q&A FREE MEMBER BENEFIT

Our Legal Hotline Attorney, Annie Fitzsimmons, is here to answer your real estate questions and help you avoid legal issues. You can find her in our Friday Video updates and Get the Facts features, and access our Legal Hotline database anytime at [warealtor.org/legal-hotline](http://warealtor.org/legal-hotline). Always consult with your Designated Broker before taking any action.

### TECH HELPLINE FREE MEMBER BENEFIT

Get tech answers fast on the app, by phone, chat room or email through the Tech Helpline — at home or in the office. There is no charge for this service and they cover advice on almost every topic and device. Download the app today.



## EDUCATION

Your Local, State and National Associations offer a variety of education opportunities, both live and online. Get the clock hours you need and the specific information you want at an affordable price. If you need education over and above what your office offers — check out the offerings from your Association first.

## DISCOUNTS ON GOODS & SERVICES

From your own Credit Union to discounts on rental cars, services and insurance. Check NAR and Washington REALTORS® before you make a major purchase.



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## NEWS & INFORMATION

The National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) has the largest real estate library and research facility in the world and you have access to it. Washington REALTORS® sends out weekly email newsletters and videos that keep you abreast of trends, economics and what other Brokers are doing around the state. Discover all the news, resources, services and discounts available to you at your Local Association and these websites:

[Warealtor.org](http://Warealtor.org)      [NAR.realtor](http://NAR.realtor)  
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## THE REALTOR® PLEDGE

*I am a REALTOR®. I pledge myself...*

*To strive to be honorable and to abide by the Golden Rule;*

*To strive to serve well my community, and through it, my country;*

*To abide by the REALTORS® Code of Ethics and to strive to conform my conduct to its aspirational ideals;*

*To act honestly in all real estate dealings;*

*To protect the individual right of real estate ownership and to widen the opportunity to enjoy it;*

*To seek better to represent my clients by building my knowledge and competence.*



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# ADVOCACY

WE ARE A  
REALTOR®  
OFFICE



*We must be involved  
in politics to protect  
your interests*

## ADVOCACY

Over one million real estate professionals from around the United States have joined forces to create the REALTOR® Association; pooling our resources as an entity to represent ourselves & homeowners in the Legislative, Regulatory, Licensing & Political world.

***The REALTOR® Association is one of the largest, most effective lobbying trade organizations in America.***

In order to maximize our effectiveness we have REALTOR® offices in each local jurisdiction, on the State level & National offices.

## ADVOCATING ON YOUR BEHALF

### TAXES

The REALTOR® Association represents you and your business against taxes on your commissions, undue transfer taxes, point of sale fees and to encourage homeownership by limiting property taxes on homeowners. We believe that homeowners and real estate professionals already pay their fair share and should not be singled out as a tax target simply because it is a large transaction.

### REGULATORY

This includes water rights, land use, zoning, flood maps, financing, Federal Housing Programs, Broker responsibilities, and management. Everything from the forms you use to the open house signs you put out, is regulated and your Association is monitoring these regulations and advocating for your interests.

### LICENSING

You are represented at the Real Estate Commission and every licensing requirement or continuing education mandate is reviewed by your Association.

### LEGISLATIVE

Your Legislative team is monitoring every bill introduced and evaluating the impact of the bill on the real estate industry. We promote good legislation and spend our considerable resources to amend or defeat harmful legislation.

Learn About Our Efforts Online  
[warealtor.org/advocacy-legal/government-affairs](http://warealtor.org/advocacy-legal/government-affairs)

## POLITICS

### REALTOR® POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

RPAC is a bipartisan organization and the largest PAC in Washington State. Our goal is to endorse political candidates who share REALTOR® Party values and prioritize a strong real estate economy in Washington, regardless of their political party affiliation.



We support candidates who strongly advocate for the real estate industry and help them get elected. Our involvement spans across all political races in the nation, except for the Presidency, and we have a successful track record.

Our actions are approved by the members elected to represent you at the Association and are always in the best interest of the industry, even if not every member agrees.

We have formed alliances with other industries that share our goals, such as transportation, accommodating growth, business, parks, and the environment.

Our political activities are funded by member contributions, fundraising events, and individual donations, with \$35 of annual dues going towards this fund unless members prefer it be used for other issues. Members can participate in the decision-making process and donate additional funds to the PAC if they choose to do so.



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IN RPAC  
TODAY



SCAN TO MAKE AN INVESTMENT



### RECENT LEGISLATIVE SUCCESSSES

*Reformed Agency Law to be more consumer friendly and protect REALTORS®.*

*Streamlined permitting and design review processes to speed up development.*

*Prevented another proposed REET increase.*

*Protected leasebacks by exempting them from the Residential Landlord Tenant Act.*

*Allowed Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) within Urban Growth Areas.*

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