

Why Participate? Many of the most successful REALTORS® and Business Partners throughout the Merrimack & Nashoba Valleys and Southern New Hampshire find that serving on a NEAR Committee is key to their ability to form productive working relationships, develop their leadership skills, and obtain cutting-edge industry information. Please submit your request today. Space on each group is limited, so ranking your preferences will help ensure you are assigned to a committee.

Standing Workgroups (Year-Long): Please rank your preferences beginning with #1 for your top choice.
Additional short-term task forces may be created as the need arises. Watch NEAR's member e-newsletter for announcements!

Business Partners and REALTORS® Welcome!

- ___ **Annual Awards Committee:** Recommends to the Board of Directors member award categories and criteria for member recognition, as well as a slate of eligible award nominees for the NEAR Recognition Gala, our most popular annual event. Also works to ensure the success of the program (meets January-May).
- ___ **Community Service Committee:** Plans and implements Community Service projects such as drives for food pantries and holiday toys for local students, as well as projects with local schools, donations to local charitable groups, etc.
- ___ **Education Committee:** Fosters knowledge, integrity, and professionalism among NEAR REALTORS® by identifying timely and useful topics and optimum formats for NEAR education courses.
- ___ **Political Involvement Committee:** Plans political involvement events including the legislative meet and greet; the annual summer RPAC/PAF fundraising party and works to achieve maximum member participation at MAR's REALTOR® Day on Beacon Hill. The committee supports homeownership and protects property rights by highlighting important Government Affairs information for members and encourages member donations through fundraisers for RPAC (the REALTORS® Political Action Committee) and PAF (the NAR Political Advocacy Fund).
- ___ **Young Professionals Committee:** Open to all, the Young Professionals Committee works to build participation in NEAR activities by REALTORS® and Business Partners who are new to the real estate industry or to their roles in it. Supports other NEAR Committee efforts including community service projects and events/programs. Develops/hosts networking and education events for new, young, and "young at heart" members.

NEW FOR 2016!

- ___ **One and Done** or *I don't have time to commit to a committee, but I still want to help here and there:* Throughout the year, NEAR may need a member or two with an ad hoc task that would take a couple of hours or a day. Once the task is done, you're done!

REALTORS® Only

- ___ **Finance Committee:** Oversees fiscal matters at NEAR, including recommending fiscal policy, monitoring fiscal condition, and overseeing development of the Annual Budget for recommendation to the Board of Directors.
- ___ **Grievance Committee:** Reviews written ethics complaints and arbitration requests to determine whether or not a hearing is warranted. Prerequisite: all-day training in Professional Standards every 2 years; Board of Directors selects members from qualified applicants.
- ___ **Professional Standards Committee:** This Committee does not hold meetings. Members are, from time to time, asked to serve on Hearing Panels to hear matters of alleged unethical conduct by Members or arbitration requests. Prerequisite: all-day training in Professional Standards every 2 years; Board of Directors selects members from qualified applicants.

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