



ARE YOU LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR REALTOR® ASSOCIATION BUT DON'T KNOW HOW? HERE ARE SOME TIPS!

## WHY SHOULD I GET INVOLVED?

REALTOR® associations are designed to reflect the interests of their members and to promote the real estate industry. It is essential to have many different perspectives represented. This is YOUR association, and you have the ability to impact the real estate profession!

Serving your local or state-level association benefits your colleagues, your community, and the real estate industry. Volunteering can also benefit YOU! Getting involved with your professional association provides opportunities for strengthening relationships, building networks, and growing your business.

## WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

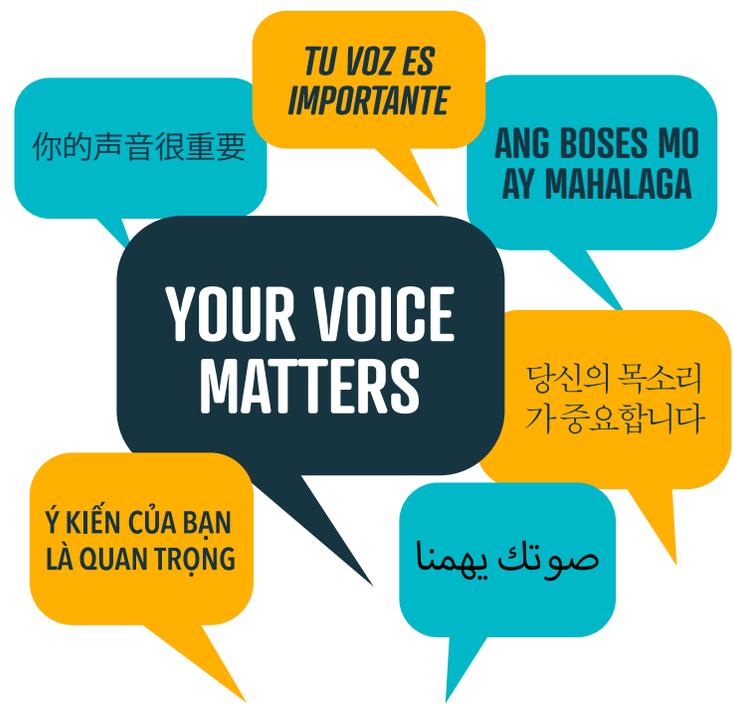
REALTORS® come from different backgrounds, real estate sectors, and experiences. Volunteers should reflect this same diversity.

You do not have to be a top producer or a seasoned REALTOR® to get involved.

Associations need volunteers, and there are many different opportunities.

Most volunteer positions are completely open. You don't need to meet specific criteria or have certain credentials.

Committees help drive the direction of the association. Most meetings are open, where non-committee members can listen and provide input.



## WHERE DO I START?

**Talk to your colleagues.** Ask about experiences volunteering with your local or state association. Find out what they gained from serving and what they recommend for getting involved.

**Attend events.** Look at the conferences, workshops, trainings, and other events hosted by your association—many are free! Find one to attend!

**Read your e-mails.** Important information about events, professional development opportunities, and volunteer positions often come via e-mail. Be sure to check them out!

**Tout your accomplishments.** Your skills, passions, and interests are all valuable to your association. Talk about your community involvement, professional successes, and personal achievements.

**Reach out.** Call or e-mail your local association executive or a member of the leadership team to learn more about the association and how to best get involved.

**Volunteer to serve.** Look at opportunities to serve on a committee or volunteer for an event—and sign up!

**Don't be afraid!** Your association wants you!