# Arizona REALTORS® LEGISLATIVE AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS 2020 Business Plan

Committee: Legislative and Political Affairs

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The following are programs, products, services and activities (PPSA's) with Legislative and Political Affairs oversight.

#### **CURRENT TOP PRIORITIES**

Policy Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic Legislative Session

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

None

#### **GROUPS FORMED**

Annual Participation Workgroup Short-Term Rental Study Workgroup

### Governmental Area Support - 1501

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Assign tasks to all governmental area	12/20	Ongoing
workgroups within approved budget		
parameters.		
Continue with a "Thank You" lunch for	Annually	Postponed due to COVID-19
each of the four government affairs	-	_
committees.		

## **Legislative Advocacy - 1510**

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Activate broad-based Arizona	12/20	Legislative Committee had the
REALTORS® membership representation		first meeting on December 13,
in lobbying activities through legislative		2019 and has begun reviewing
committee appointments and related		legislation.
committee activities.		
Encourage application to state boards and	12/20	
commissions.		
Strengthen and maintain relationships with	12/20	
Arizona statewide officeholders and		Ongoing
agency department heads.		
Strengthen and maintain relationships with	12/20	
housing industry partners through ongoing		Ongoing
communications.		
Achieve an 85% success rate on Arizona	6/20	
REALTORS® legislative policy priorities.		
Conduct daily monitoring of legislation	6/20	Ongoing
and recommend positions to the		
Legislative Committee in conjunction with		
the approved Legislative Policy		
Statements.		
Monitor member involvement in political	12/20	
campaigns.		
Finalize 2021 legislative policies list by	10/20	Will be determined at Caucus.
October 2020.		Policies approved by the Board
		of Directors during the
		October 2020 meeting.
Evaluate state-level candidates on Arizona	8/20	
REALTORS® legislative policies and		
voting record to receive funds.		

# <u>Local Lobbying Support - 1545</u>

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Assist local associations in their lobbying	12/20	Ongoing
efforts as issues arise.		
Encourage local associations to establish	12/20	Ongoing
an advocacy program and provide		
assistance as requested.		

# <u>Legislative Policy Development - 1550</u>

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Poll members for their opinions through	12/20	
use of formal and informal methods.		
Continue to involve stakeholders on real	12/20	
estate related issues.		
Encourage proportional regional	9/20	
representation at the REALTOR® Caucus.		
Forward all legislative recommendations to	9/20	
the Legislative and Political Affairs		
Committee for review and appropriate		
action.		
Host 2020 REALTOR® Day Luncheon.	Completed	Event held January 14, 2020.
Identify for participation in, or host, a	12/20	2/25: Real Estate Industry
second legislator event.		Legislative Event
Achieve attendance of 65% of legislators	6/20	
at legislative events.		
Identify attendees for legislative events	12/20	
through political involvement and		
leadership activity.		

#### Fundraising/Grassroots Support - 1560

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Finalize the political activities fundraising	12/20	
plan by December 31st by the previous		
plan year.		
Identify members to participate in the	6/20	In Process
annual REALTOR® Party training.		
Provide fundraising tips, tools and	9/20	Ongoing.
promotional materials for local		
associations.		
Distribute REALTOR® Party updates	Monthly	Ongoing.
with local associations and provide		
Statewide RAPAC graphs.		
Visit, at a minimum of one time annually,	10/20	Attended 3/5 WeServ MI event
with each local association to promote		in Gilbert. In process and
fundraising activities.		subject to virtual visits due to
		COVID-19
Utilize the NAR RAPAC Grant stipend	12/20	Utilized \$8,625.32 of NAR
for promotion of RAPAC.		fundraising grant for RAPAC
		Auction and Raffle

Utilize the Major Investor Program NAR stipend to host an Arizona REALTORS® Major Investor Event.	12/20	
Achieve participation of local associations in Major Investor Events.	12/20	On going
Achieve 100% level of RAPAC participation from state and NAR directors, AEs, Presidents, Presidents-elect, RVPs, RIMC, LPAC, Legislative Committee, RAPAC Trustees, FPCs, EXCOM, BOD, and local RAPAC Chairs.	12/20	NAR Directors – 90.91% AEs – 43.75% 2020 Presidents – 81.25% RVPs – 100% RIMC Committee – 100% LPAC – 100% Legislative Committee – 95.65% RAPAC Committee – 92.85% FPCs – 88.89% EXCOM – 86.67% BODs – 82.14%
Achieve 100% or NAR Major Investor Goal for 2020. Benchmarks: 50% of goal by April; 75% of goal by June; 100% by September 30.	12/20	As of 05/18/2019: 100 Major Investors 79 Installment Plans
Recognize Major Investors with gift.	12/20	MI Jackets/notebooks are in the process of being sent out
Recognize President Circle members with gift.	12/20	New gift for 2020 is being selected
Recognize Hall of Fame members with gift.	12/20	In progress. Wall of Fame with charitable contribution has been selected to replace gift.
Communicate state and federal election law requirements to local associations in order for RAPAC to remain in compliance at the state and federal level.	12/20	Ongoing
Host a fundraising event at the Spring Conference/Convention.	4/20	Completed. The 2020 RAPAC Auction and Raffle raised a total of \$54,682
Secure a vendor for conducting online fundraising auctions.	4/20	Completed. GiveSmart was chosen due to competitive pricing and flexibility of the platform.
Host a fundraising event at the Leadership Conference.	10/20	Cancelled due to COVID-19
Recognize RAPAC Major Investors on aaronline.com.	Monthly	Updated through April 15, 2020
Recognize RAPAC Major Investors with special recognition at REALTOR® Day at the Capitol.	Completed	Major Investor names were in pamphlet and MI's were acknowledged by the speaker and with MI ribbons and seat backs.

Recognize RAPAC Major Investors with special recognition at REALTOR® Caucus.	9/20	In progress: 2020 Major Investors will be featured on event displays
Plan and host a 2-day, 1-night Major Investor Motorcycle, Convertible, and Classic Car Rally Ride road trip.	10/8	A new event needs to be selected and planned
Maintain Leadership Appreciation Program to connect Arizona REALTORS® leaders with Major Investors for recognition of investment.	12/20	Thank-you cards being sent from Leadership to Major Investors-Ongoing
Increase use of NAR grant programs by 50% over 2019 utilization by local associations.	12/20	

Federal Liaison Support - 1575

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Communicate quarterly with NAR political staff and FPC's on federal issues and the positions taken by each Arizona Member of Congress to enhance our FPC efforts while at Washington, D.C. meetings and throughout the year.	Quarterly	NAR Political Director, Jack Greacen will be attending March RAPAC meeting
Register all FPCs with NAR's REALTOR® Action Center.	1/20	Completed
Oversee the FPCs quality contact with their representative or their staff within D.C. or Arizona, ensuring attendance at required meetings, training sessions and fundraisers.	Quarterly	
Ensure FPCs attend required Mid-Year meetings.	5/20	RSVP's have been sent out; FPC still needed for Rep. Gallego
Ensure compliance that all FPCs attend required NAR training session on their roles and responsibilities.	2/20	
Oversee that each FPC team will hold one meeting locally or attend a fundraiser with their congressman/senator or their staff during the year.	12/20	In Progress
Maintain strong communication with Congressional staff through ongoing contacts on issues important to Arizona.	12/20	Ongoing
Attendance at meetings with Members of Congress during the NAR Mid-Year Hill Visits is by invitation only.	5/20	Cancelled due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Ensure compliance that FPCs meet any	12/20	
NAR requirements.		
Establish a Hill Visit Reception for all	5/20	Cancelled due to COVID-19
Arizona members who attend NAR Mid-		Pandemic
Year and invite each MOC.		
Establish funds for FPC in-district	12/20	
meetings/receptions.		

#### **Election Year Activities - 1580**

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Encourage members to register to vote.	12/20	Efforts executed via social
		media
Establish protocol for a "Get Out the	11/20	
Vote" campaign for use in 2020 election		
cycle.		
Create and distribute Voter Guides with	8/20	
information on REALTOR® endorsed		
candidates, with special focus on how and		
why they are REALTOR® Champions.		
Tie endorsed candidates into the		In progress. Developing
REALTOR® Party for full circle		Candidate report card
education of the importance of legislative		
work and protections offered by the		
REALTOR® Party.		

# **Governmental Communications - 1585**

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Provide REALTOR® Party updates and	12/20	5/12: REALTOR® Voice
legislative updates to the Business		Legislative Update: You Voice at the
Services and Technology Department for		Table
use in the REALTOR® Voice, Arizona		
REALTORS® blog and alternative forms		
of media distribution.		
Produce REALTOR® Party video	4/20	Video was completed
annually with focus on legislative		November 2019 – Need to start
successes and what that means for their		planning the next video.
industry/ business/ clients.		

Provide Calls to Action responses, when necessary, for targeted and effective immediate member communication with Arizona legislators and Members of	As Required	
Congress on critical issues.		
Work with REALTOR® Party Plus to	12/20	
increase opt-in for text response Calls for	,	
Action.		
Utilize digital advertising and technologies	As Required	
to push federal CFAs to members.	1	
Maintain current information on each	12/20	
governmental program at aaronline.com.	- ,	
Communicate with Big Yam for press	12/20	
releases when large successes occur, or the	,	
consumer needs to be educated on the		
associations wins.		
Communicate how Issues Mobilization	12/20	
and RAPAC reserves can enhance local		
association political objectives.		
Communicate the importance of the Arizona REALTORS® legislative/political successes to members.	12/20	Executed the following member updates: 3/31: Capitol Update 4/2: President's Zoom Call 4/30: WeMar Policy Update 5/13: Tucson Association of REALTORS® Policy Update
Continue to communicate the mechanism	12/20	
by which members can relay, on a year-		
round basis, legislative comments and		
proposals.		
Utilize the broker involvement	12/20	
program/stipend to enroll local brokers		
for participation in NAR's BIP to increase		
response rates to calls for action.		
Work with REALTOR® Party Plus to	12/20	
identify a predictive model to target		
members for increased activism on		
legislative issues and advocacy initiatives.		
Implement the use of geofencing, beacon	As Required	
and direct one-to-one digital advertising		
technologies for concentrated message		
delivery during a Call for Action.		

# Political Research - 1596

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Measurable Objective	Target Date	Status
Conduct research as needed.	12/20	5/20: Commissioned an Economic
		Impact Study to research to the
		impact of the COVID-19 pandemic
		on the residential real estate market.
Work with REALTOR® Party Plus to	12/20	
utilize predictive models to obtain		
comprehensive analysis of membership as		
well as election data.		