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### SALES DOWN AND VALUES UP IN MARCH:

In a press release to the media today, Maine home sales decreased -16.78% comparing March 2023 to March 2022. The median sales price (MSP) was \$337,500, a 3.85% increase in that same time period. NAR reports that existing home sales and

median sales prices were down nationally and sales were down and prices up in the northeast, comparing March 2023 to March 2022. Read the full release here.



#### **LUNCH & LEARN:**

Pioneering Affordable Housing – 3D Printed Housing April 25th from 12pm-1pm

The Director of Housing

Development at Penquis, Jason Bird joins us to discuss Penquis' partnership with UMaine's Advanced Structures and Composites Center and Maine Housing on the 3D Printed Housing Solution Project to find innovative ways to bring more housing supply to Maine. Learn more about the project here **Register now!** 

## APRIL IS FAIR HOUSING MONTH:

Each year in April, REALTORS® reconfirm our commitment to upholding fair housing law as well as our



commitment to offering equal professional service to all in their housing search.

#### **VISIT FAIRHAVEN:**

Fairhaven is a no-cost simulation training, developed by NAR, to help REALTORS® identify, prevent, and address discriminatory practices in real estate. The online experience has REALTORS® work against the clock to sell homes, while confronting discrimination in the real estate buying process.

#### **Quick Links**

Maine Association of REALTORS®

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**Maine Listings** 

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#### **Board Portal Links**

Greater Bangor Association of REALTORS®

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## Maine Association of REALTORS®

- Maine Commercial Association
- MAR Only Members
- York County Council

## Mid-Coast Board of REALTORS®

- Acadia Council
- Waldo County Council
- Penobscot Bay Council

# Mountains to Shore Board of REALTORS®

- Androscoggin Valley Council
- Lincoln County Council
- Merrymeeting Council
- Western Maine Council

### **MAR Leadership**

Fairhaven can be completed in one sitting, or you can come and go from the online platform as your schedule allows. At this time, only 4% of Maine's REALTORS® have completed this important simulation. Let's increase this completion rate!

Visit Fairhaven here For assistance with login information: 1-800-874-6500 Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### MAR FORMS CHANGES MEMBER FEEDBACK BY MAY 12:

MAR is beginning the process for revising forms and/or creating new forms for 2024. If you have thoughts on what you would like added or changed to MAR forms, or if you have ideas for a new form, please use this link to send feedback by May 12

#### **BEYOND THE REALTOR®:**

MAR is compiling a list of Maine REALTOR® members who have unique interests outside of their real estate business, to be featured in the Maine REALTOR® magazine. Is there something else a little outside of the norm about which you are passionate? Email Suzanne with a brief description of your interest/hobby. The list will be forwarded to the Maine REALTOR® magazine editor for consideration for upcoming issues.



# 2024 NAR COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT PROCESS:

The deadline is May 15 if you

would like to request an appointment to a 2024 National Association of REALTORS® Committee. NAR Committees will meet in May and November 2024 at the national REALTOR® meetings (in DC and Boston). There are currently 17 Maine REALTORS® serving on NAR committees during 2023.

Please note: NAR committee applications are completed online.

Step 1: you must create/update an Expertise Profile on NAR.realtor;

Step 2: you can apply for up to five NAR committee appointments;

Step 3: you may seek endorsements/recommendations for your applications (which is important to do).

Click here for a list of NAR committees, a link for your Expertise Profile, access to the 2024 NAR Committee Application process (NAR.realtor login required), and FAQ's about the NAR Committee process

For login assistance for the NAR website (NAR.realtor): 1-800-874-6500. Please contact Suzanne with any questions.

#### **MAINE LISTINGS NEWS:**

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