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## **HRRRA maintains, strengthens focus on fair housing, racial equality**

**CHESAPEAKE** – The Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association (HRRRA) announced today that it will use a \$5,000 grant from the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) to collaborate with other REALTOR® associations and minority real estate groups to underwrite the National Association of REALTORS® At Home With Diversity certification course.

“REALTORS® recognize the significance of the Fair Housing Act and reaffirm our commitment to upholding these laws and to offering fair, equitable service to every American in their search for homes and property,” said 2021 HRRRA Chairman of the Board Tanya Monroe.

As part of NAR’s new Fair Housing Action Plan, abbreviated “ACT,” which emphasizes Accountability, Culture Change and Training to ensure America’s 1.4 million REALTORS® are doing everything possible to protect housing rights in America, HRRRA is doing its part to solidify the role fair housing plays in the real estate industry and in communities.

Gladys Fain, who chair’s HRRRA’s Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee, said, “Lack of awareness may cause inadvertent fair housing discrimination. Our goal is to ensure that our members and other real estate professionals in the community are trained to recognize implicit bias and to understand recent changes in fair housing law. The At Home With Diversity course offers specific fair housing training but also provides the knowledge to assess and understand attributes of diversity in our local market and their impact on the real estate industry. The grant will allow HRRRA to offer the course at a significantly reduced rate, which means more REALTORS will be able to access this education.”

Added Monroe, “The REALTOR® commitment to diversity and equality is perhaps the strongest in real estate, going even further than the federal Fair Housing Act.”

NAR offers Fair Housing Grants to state and local REALTOR® associations around the country in effort to support a wide range of activities and initiatives, including fair housing education and curriculum development, fair housing partnerships with local organizations and fair housing commemoration ceremonies and events.

For more information on the At Home With Diversity course, visit [www.hrra.com](http://www.hrra.com). The next is slated for Nov. 9. To learn more about NAR’s Fair Housing Grant program, visit <https://realtorparty.realtor/state-local-issues/issues/fair-housing.html>

The Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association is a nonprofit organization of 5,000 REALTORS® and Affiliates whose mission is to enhance the ability of REALTORS® throughout Eastern Virginia to achieve business success in an ethical and professional manner, and to protect and preserve private property rights. It serves as the voice of real estate in Hampton Roads. REALTORS® are real estate agents and members of the National Association of REALTORS®. They adhere to a strict code of ethics and work to protect and preserve private property rights. For more on HRRRA, visit [www.hrra.com](http://www.hrra.com). The National Association of REALTORS® is America’s largest trade association, representing more than 1.4 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

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