# WESTMORELAND WEST Association of REALTORS

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## \*\*\* 2024 REALTOR® DUES RENEWAL \*\*\*

Dear WWAOR Member,

We appreciate your membership and hope that over the last year, we have provided you with quality member benefits as well as access to cost-savings programs, continuing education, affiliate partnerships and more. We have also tried to keep your local dues at a cost-effective rate.

# Please be advised that <u>per NAR Regulations and Policies</u>, your 2024 Realtor® Dues MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY SUNDAY, JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024.

Please note the following are NAR Deadlines and Policies which all Associations, no matter the area, must abide by:

- The deadline to pay your 2024 Dues is MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024.
- If paid late between 1/2/24 and 1/31/24, your dues are considered overdue and will include a \$50.00 late fee.
- All members not paid in full by 1/31/24 will automatically become inactive in the NRDS system. Once made
  inactive, the member will incur an additional \$50 late fee plus a \$100.00 reactivation fee in addition to their
  renewal dues.
- If an agent goes into Referral or Escrow, that information must be provided to WWAOR.

## **How Can You Pay Your Dues?**

- 1. Mail in a check made payable to WWAOR to 12875 Route 30, North Huntingdon PA 15642. You MUST include the attached form.
- 2. Via credit card on the NAR Website at <a href="www.nar.realtor">www.nar.realtor</a>, then click on "Pay Dues" in the top right corner. If you do not remember your NAR login, call 1-800-874-6500 Option 3. Please mail or email us included form.

\*\*\*Please note that we cannot take your credit card number over the phone or via email.

\*\*\* We cannot extend payment dates. We do not offer a payment plan. \*\*\*

Local dues are non-refundable.

#### 2024 DUES RENEWAL BREAKDOWN

NAR (National Association of Realtors®) Annual Fee \$156.00

NAR Consumer Advertising Campaign Assessment Fee Required\* \$45.00

PAR (Pennsylvania Association of Realtors®) State Annual Dues \$150.00

Local Dues (Westmoreland West Association of Realtors®) \$114.00

RPAC (Realtors® Political Action Committee) *Voluntary Contribution*\*\* \$ 25.00 (amount can be adjusted \$0 - \$99+)

Base Total \$490.00

PA Realtor Education Foundation *Voluntary Contribution\*\*\** \$ 1.00

NAR Realtors® Relief Foundation *Voluntary Contribution\*\*\*\** \$ 5.00 (amount can be adjusted to \$1 or \$2

Total w/contributions: \$496.00

#### **Dues Definitions**

- \*The NAR Consumer Advertising Campaign Assessment Fee is a mandatory fee which covers the NAR Public Awareness Campaign, a series of television and radio commercials that run year-round in markets across the United States including Pittsburgh.
- \*\*RPAC stands for REALTORS® Political Action Committee. Our RPAC representative is Matt Vermeire. He is our contact when realtors are having local issues (such as sign requirements, zoning issues, water issues, dye testing, etc). He takes that information and works with political representatives and Harrisburg to fight for Realtor issues. RPAC contributions are how local issues get represented, acknowledged and corrected at the local, state and national levels. For more info visit <a href="https://realtorparty.com/about-us/history.html">https://realtorparty.com/about-us/history.html</a>. Most Realtors don't understand how important this is. Contributions to RPAC can be \$0 \$99, but we recommend \$25.
- \*\*\*The Education Foundation is designed to provide education to as many Pennsylvania Realtors as possible. It does this in two ways. First, when local associations are having an education event they can request up to \$2 per member to offset the costs of holding that event. The second way is by holding large events that PAR puts on that benefit large groups of our members.
- \*\*\*\*The REALTORS® Relief Foundation (RRF) is 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to providing housing-related assistance to victims of disasters. Created as a REALTOR®-driven response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks, RRF continues to restore and rebuild communities affected by disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes, earthquakes, and tornados thanks to the generosity of individual REALTORS®, REALTOR® Associations, and affiliated organizations. Together, through the RRF, our community has helped over 17,000 families remain in their homes.

#### **Nondeductible Dues**

Compliance with the Tax Reform Act of 1993 requires that the portion of dues attributable to lobbying and political activities at the State and Federal levels of government be considered nondeductible for income tax purposes. This nondeductible portion must be disclosed to members on their dues invoice each year.

For **2024**, with dues at \$150 per member, NAR computes 36 percent or \$54 to be nondeductible for the member's income tax purposes due to NAR lobbying efforts. Please note that the entire \$45 Consumer Advertising Campaign special assessment qualifies as fully deductible. In addition, contributions (including member dues) to NAR are not tax deductible as <u>charitable</u> contributions. However, they may be tax deductible under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. The PAR non-deductible amount for 2024 is \$3.75.



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#### MAKE THE MOST OUT OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP WITH THESE BENEFITS!

- Use of the term REALTOR®
- Access to Standard Forms and the PAR Legal Hotline
- Professional Development through offered Continuing Education Classes
- Member Communication: Resources and Tools to help you succeed
- Social Media Community
- Special Events
- Advocacy Avenues to help you protect your business
- Government Affairs Director access
- Ethical conduct enforcement and arbitration settlement
- Networking Opportunities and an Affiliate Partnership Program
- Personal and business savings programs through NAR and PAR
- Committee opportunities
- Community involvement promoting Home Ownership
- AND MORE......

# \*\*\* 2024 REALTOR® DUES RENEWAL FORM \*\*\*

# Please Return This Form Regardless of Payment Method via mail or email to westmorelandwestrealtors@gmail.com

Name:	
NRDS Number:	
Email Address:	
Home Address:	
Cell Phone:	
Office Name:	
Office Address:	Office Phone:
Broker: Office Manag	ger:
My License is in Referral as of Referral Office My License is in Escrow as of	e
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Total with contributions:	\$496.00
Total Payment Made: \$ (please check appropriate below)	
Includes RPAC Contribution of \$	_ No RPAC Contribution included
Includes \$5.00 to the Realtor Relief Fund	_ Includes \$2.00 to the Realtor Relief Fund
Includes \$1.00 to the Realtor Relief Fund	Includes \$1.00 to the PAR Education Fund
Payment Method: Check Enclosed Paid via NAR Website	

# WWAOR YOUR LOCAL ASSOCIATION PROVIDING LOCAL SERVICES



# **OUR MISSION**

The Westmoreland West Association of REALTORS® guides and supports its members through education and professional development.



# WHAT IS THE VALUE OF YOUR LOCAL ASSOCIATION?

REALTOR® associations such as WWAOR (Westmoreland West Association of Realtors®) serve as professional organizations for real estate agents and brokers. WWAOR provides a variety of local resources and benefits to our members such as:

## **Mediation and Arbitration**

WWAOR is lucky to partner with the REALTORS® Association of Metropolitan Pittsburgh to have shared Mediation and Arbitration services. What does that mean to WWAOR members? These services are handled in Pittsburgh rather than other associations where these services are handled in Harrisburg.

# **Education and Training**

WWAOR offers courses to meet Continuing Education and Code of Ethics requirements.

# Government Affairs and Industry Representation

WWAOR has a Government Affairs Director and is very active with local, state and federal government. We advocate for you on a variety of issues such as legislation and regulations that affect your industry. We provide a unified voice for the industry in discussions with government officials, consumers and other stakeholders. And we participate in Hill Day in Harrisburg each year as well as candidate interviews.

# Professional Development

WWAOR provides opportunities for members to network and connect with other professionals in the industry which can be beneficial for building business relationships and stay informed about the lastest developments. Our Affiliate Partner Program and Member Meetings strive to provide as much professional development opportunities as possible.

OVERALL, WWAOR SERVES TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE
THE INTEREST OF OUR MEMBERS, HELPING YOU TO
ACHIEVE YOUR PROFESSIONAL GOALS AND THE INTERESTS
OF THE INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE.

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