Government affairs action for the week of April 30, 2023

Bay East Goes to Sacramento

Bay East members took the REALTOR® party voice directly to our State elected leaders this week.

On Wednesday, May 3, they joined more than 2,000 other real estate professionals participating in the California Association of REALTORS® (C.A.R.) <u>2023 Legislative</u> <u>Day</u>. The Bay East participants split up into teams to meet with Senators Nancy Skinner and Steve Glazer and Assembly members Rebecca Bauer-Kahan and Alex Lee.

Hot issues included asking our legislators to fully fund the California Dream For All down payment assistance program and opposing SB 466 (Wahab) which will weaken the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act.

Special thanks to all Bay East members who made the trip to Sacramento and participated in these face-to-face meetings. This personal contact is a critical and effective part of the Bay East and C.A.R. advocacy programs.

For more information about C.A.R.'s work on behalf of REALTORS® and home owners, buyers and sellers, click here. NOTE: You will need to log-in to access this information.

Local Government and Community Certificate Program

REALTORS® can now earn a professional certificate while learning how local government works and how to get involved.

The California Association of REALTORS® Center for California Real Estate in partnership with Pepperdine University's Davenport Institute for Public Engagement and Civic Leadership is offering "Local Government & Community: Partnering for Success" a 6-week online course that covers the mechanics of local government, how policies and regulations are created, how its funded, and the important role REALTORS® can play.

The course is free to REALTORS® and will be presented twice during 2023. The first series of courses begins Tuesday, May 9 at 2pm and continues every Tuesday afternoon through June 13.

Participants who attend each course and complete some additional work are entitled to receive a certificate.

The program will be repeated Oct. 4 through Nov. 8.

If you have any questions about Bay East advocacy activities or any government-related real estate issues you want Bay East to research, contact <u>David Stark</u>, Bay East Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer.