

## **MA REALTORS® commemorate Fair Housing Month**

*REALTOR® organization advocates for increased fair housing education for real estate professionals*

**FOXBOROUGH, Mass.** – April 7, 2021 - This April, [The Massachusetts Association of REALTORS®](#) (MAR) is joining REALTORS® nationwide to commemorate Fair Housing Month and championing statewide legislation to promote fair housing practices.

Fair Housing Month celebrates the passage of the Fair Housing Act of 1968 with events and education that shine a light on housing discrimination and segregation. Fair Housing Month signifies a recommitment to expanding equal access to housing.

“We champion fair housing practices year round, but set aside April to bring light to the importance of the Fair Housing Act,” says Steve Medeiros 2021 President of MAR. “It is a priority for us as an organization to lead the charge for fair housing in the Commonwealth.”

MAR is advocating for ‘An Act relative to fair housing education’ (SD 1390 & HD 1517). The legislation mandates additional educational requirements for real estate professionals. If passed, the law would require those seeking a real estate license to complete a mandatory four hours of fair housing education during pre-licensure courses in addition to requiring licensees complete two hours of fair housing education every renewal cycle.

In addition to advocating for fair housing legislation, MAR partnered with Suffolk University Law School to develop fair housing resources for members to support fair housing protections for residents across the state. All of MAR’s fair housing resources can be found at [www.marealtor.com/fair-housing](http://www.marealtor.com/fair-housing).

### **About the Massachusetts Association of REALTORS®**

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