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# January President's Message

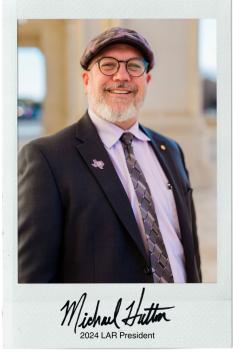
elcome to 2024
Lubbock Association of
REALTOR® Members!
Thank you for allowing
me to serve as your

president this year. I'm looking forward to a great year, for the Association and for our Members. REALTORS® are the unsung heroes of our communities. We do wonderful things, most often behind the scenes, that most people don't realize. This year we want to change that.

We want 2024 to be about telling our REALTOR® stories with the Lubbock area community. As we all know, there is more to real estate than just helping someone buy or sell a property. We are counselors, match makers, advocates, and so much more. This year I hope that we can share what amazing people our local REALTORS® are.

I am a Lubbock native and proud graduate of Monterey High School. Real estate was a second career for me. I was called to ministry early in life and spent the first years of my career as a youth Pastor and Church planter in Lubbock, Wilmore, Kentucky, and in Atlantic Canada.

When we made the decision to move back



to Lubbock, I found real estate and liked the challenges it offered. It's very similar to pastoral ministry and I felt like I could be a resource to help my clients make the biggest financial decision of their lives. And the rest is history!

I'm primarily a residential REALTOR® and I love working with families to help them find their home. One of my favorite

things is to work with first time home buyers. There is magic that happens when a person buys their first home. I get so excited! It is something we all get to be a part of...helping our clients reach their goals and improve the quality of their lives.

I am married to my amazing wife Tammy and have four children. I'm in my 15th year in the business and I'm also a broker. I'm very active in the Lubbock Lions Club and look for ways to give back to my community. I've been blessed to have mentors in my life that have helped me along my path and I look forward to the chance to do the same with the next generation of REALTORS\*.

Being the President of the Lubbock Association of REALTORS® is my chance to give back to my Association that has supported me throughout my career. This is a volunteer position and while I know it will certainly have its challenges, I know it's going to be a great experience. If you've been thinking about getting more involved in LAR, I encourage you to do so! You will not regret it.

Thank you for supporting me this year. Let's make 2024 the best year possible.

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We are grateful for our 2024 Prime Business sponsors. Thank you for your support!

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Learn more about how to register you LLC or S-Corp with TREC

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See how the Lubbock real estate market looked last month.

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# TREPAC Participation Levels

# **RPAC Hall of Fame**

RPAC Hall of Fame is awarded to members who have invested \$25,000 or more throughout their career as a REALTOR®. This is a lifetime award achievement.

# **RPAC Major Investor Program**

RPAC's Major Investor program consists of an elite and passionate group of REALTOR® investors who give a minimum annual investment of \$1,000 or more.

# **RPAC Platinum R Member**

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$10,000 or more in one year will be recognized as a Platinum R major investor. Individual members can then sustain their Platinum R status with an annual investment of \$5,000.

### RPAC Golden R Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$5,000 in one year will be recognized as a Golden R major investor. Members can then sustain their Golden R status with an annual investment of \$2,000.

### **RPAC Crystal R Member**

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$2,500 in one year will be recognized as

a Crystal R major investor. Members can then sustain their Crystal R status with an annual investment of \$1,500.

### RPAC Sterling R Program

A Texas REALTOR\* investing \$1,000 in one year will be recognized as a Sterling R major investor.

### **Capitol Club**

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$500 to \$999 in one year becomes a Capitol Club member.

# **Lone Star Statesman**

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$250 to \$499 in one year becomes a Lone Star Statesman.

### 110 Club Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$110 to \$249 in one year becomes a 110 Club Member.

# **Participation Club Member**

Any Texas REALTOR\* investing \$35 to \$109 is considered a member of TREPAC.

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# December Membership Stats





# **REALTOR® Membership Applications\***

Eric Brown, Amy Tapp Realty Ridge Shackelford, Brick & Loft Realty LeAnn Fisher, Keller Williams Realty Monica Clay, Keller Williams Realty Terri Mendoza, South Plains Homes Sijia "Savannah" Zhou, Keller Williams Realty

# **Designated REALTORS®**

Ryan Burkett, Ryan Burkett Real Estate Justin Wright, Justin Wright Real Estate Leigh Anne Brozo, Lubbock Homestead Realty Group

# **Transfers**

Paula Clark, TechTown Realty, to Stephens

Jimmi Johnson, UCRE-M. Edwards Realty & Land, to Paxton Real Estate Mark Oatman, Keller Williams Realty, to McDougal, REALTORS Jeremie Gonzalez, Keller Williams Realty, to Fathom Realty Rose Donaldson, TechTown Realty, to **Stephens Realty** Rhonda Williams, Amy Tapp Realty, to Aycock Realty Group, LLC. Courtney Bartosh, Monument Realty, to Keller Williams Realty Phillip Bales, Expand Realty, to Our Texas Real Estate Group Sam Riddle, Brick & Loft Realty, to Keller Williams Realty

# Miscellaneous Changes

Jason Jones reinstated with Brady Collier,

Tatiana Rivers reinstated with AMRR Property Management Stephen Medley reinstated with Exit Realty of Lubbock Marisa Grover reinstated with The

# **Cancellations**

Dylan Dewbre, Coldwell Banker Trusted Advisors

WestMark Companies

Frances Ybarra, Aycock Realty Group, LLC Harry Hamilton, Harry Hamilton & Associates

Johnnie Fuller, Madewell Real Estate Company

Misty Nance, Coldwell Banker Trusted Advisors

Kristin McClure, Coldwell Banker Trusted Advisors

Blake Bartosh, Monument Realty Marisa Grover, Reside Real Estate Co. Christiane Wheatley, Sawyer Real Estate Ashley Weber, Wise Cardinal Realty Yoselin Kilpatrick, eXp Realty LLC Toni McCarty, eXp Realty LLC

# **MLS Only**

Laura Sales, The Sales Team Realtors Cindy Lanham, Lake Homes Realty, LLC, cancelled

Joel Cooke, The Sales Team Realtors Cindy Wade, All City Real Estate, Ltd. Co. Bruce Jones, Lake Homes Realyt, LLC, cancelled

Irene Ishak, Oasis Properties, cancelled David Ishak, Oasis Properties, cancelled Peter DiBenedetto, Realty United, LLC Joe Garcia, Realty United, LLC Jeff Brown, Jeff Brown Realty Group Felicia Odom, eXp Realty LLC Monica Rodriguez, Street Real Estate, cancelled

Sijo Vadakkan, Realoq Inc Katie Mosher, Heritage Real Estate Timur Medaric, New Western Acquisitions, cancelled

Carlos Ibarra, Jr., New Western Acquisitions, cancelled Caleb Beacham, New Western Acquisitions, cancelled

# Thank you to our 2024 PRIME BUSINESS PARTNERS BENCHMARK MORTGAGE VOUR LOCAL LUBBOCK MORTGAGE LENDERS

















# Classes and Events

# January Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 18 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

# **New Member Orientation**

Tuesday, February 6 8:30 a.m to 1 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

# **GRI: Contracts to Closing**

February 26-29 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

# TREC Legal Update 1

Thursday, March 7 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

# TREC Legal Update 2

Thursday, March 7 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

# The 1-4 Residential Contract

Friday, March 8 9 a.m. to Noon

Click **HERE** to register

# LARLUBBOCK Association of REALTORS **CE Class Etiquette**

Don't talk while the instructor is teaching

Don't leave class to take a phone call. Your business can wait until a break or the end of the class

Put your devices away unless you are using them to take notes. Wait until a break to return texts and emails.

If you're on a Zoom class, you must remain on camera while class is in session, free of distractions and dangerous behavior such as driving.

Be on time to the start of class, stay in the classroom while class is in session and return on time from lunch/breaks

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE RULES CAN RESULT IN LOSS OF CE CREDIT AND REMOVAL FROM CLASS





# Register your LLC with TREC

ou can now register your LLC or S-Corp with TREC and start receiving commissions paid to your entity as opposed to being paid personally and assigning it to that entity.

If you are depositing checks into your personal account and not assigning it to a separate business account before paying yourself, call your CPA.

Previously, your LLC or S-Corp would have to have a broker's license. That's no longer the case.

To register, click **HERE**.

You'll need your entity name and tax ID. The cost is \$144.20 and you'll be required to submit documents to TREC before it can be approved.



# 2024 NAR/TR **Membership Dues**

- >> \$50 LATE FEE IF NOT PAID BY 1/31/2024
- >> UNPAID MEMBERS WILL BE INACTIVATED ON 2/1/2024 AND SUBJECT TO A \$50 REINSTATEMENT FEE IF NOT PAID BY 2/15/2024 (IN ADDITION TO THE \$50 LATE FEE)







Pay your dues now on the Connect Dashboard

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% Change

# December Housing Stats

December 2023 Market Statistics - Lubbock MSA



Market Name Month (Current Report Year) Association Name Market Type Property Type Residential (SF/COND/TH) Lubbock Association of RE.. Metropolitan Statistical Area Lubbock December

# December 2023 Market Snapshot

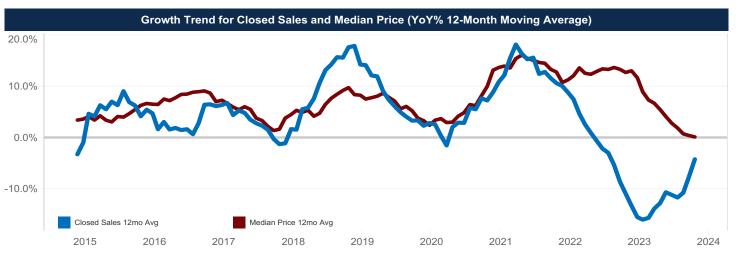
# **Lubbock MSA**



# **Year to Date** % Change

Closed Sales	292	325	▲ 11.3%	4,796	4,593	▼-4.2%
Median Sales Price	\$235,375	\$238,750	▲ 1.4%	\$241,200	\$240,000	▼-0.5%
Average Sales Price	\$293,901	\$279,307	▼ -5.0%	\$282,612	\$283,403	▲ 0.3%
Ratio to Original List Price	96.3%	94.7%	▼ -1.7%	98.6%	96.4%	▼-2.3%
Days On Market	38	42	▲ 10.5%	26	38	<b>▲</b> 46.2%
New Listings	440	405	▼ -8.0%	6,960	7,965	<b>1</b> 4.4%
Under Contract	281	349	▲ 24.2%	469	460	▼-1.9%
Active Listings	970	1,261	▲ 30.0%	676	1,143	▲ 69.1%
Months Inventory	2.4	3.3	▲ 35.8%	2.4	3.3	▲ 35.8%

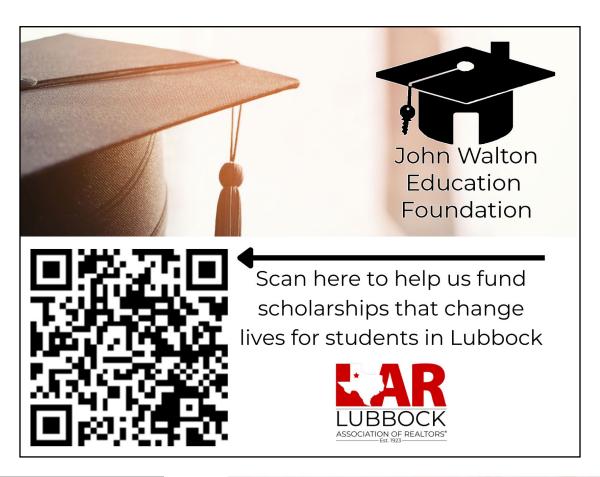
### **Current Month** Year to Date **Active Listings** Median Sales Price Closed Sales YTD Median Sales Price YTD 1,261 \$238,750 \$241,200 \$235,375 \$240,000 4,593 2022 2023 2022 2023 2022 2023 2022 2023



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