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# **TREEF Scholarship**

This scholarship fund is for children, grandchildren or dependents of licensed Tennessee REALTORS® members or Association staff members to assist incoming college freshman to a university, junior college or accredited trade school. Applications are due by June 1 for the following fall semester. To apply, visit: <u>https://tnrealtors.com/education/treef/</u> <u>scholarship</u>.

## **Scholarship Donor Levels**

Doctorate \$2,500+ **Master** \$1,000-\$2,499

**Bachelor** \$500-\$999 **Associate** \$100-\$499

# Contribute

To donate to the scholarship (any amount; no minimum) and/or make a gift to TREEF in honor or in memory of someone, please visit: https://tnrealtors.com/memorial-honorary-gifts.

# **TREEF Scholarship Recipients**

#### 2019

Matthew Hooks Maria Howard Jordan Stoxstill-Diggs

### 2021

Paige Bowden Joy Douglass Kayla Payne

#### 2023

Nia Ailshie Stella Helm Nyla Johnson



# Opportunities for Learning and Growth

TREEF

TENNESSEE REAL ESTATE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

## Your Pathway to Success

We recommend that agents explore the following courses, resources and opportunities as you embark on the journey of becoming and remaining a Tennessee REALTOR®.

Scan the QR code to learn more.



## 2020

Breanna Evans Isaac Keszler s Hannah Wright

### 2022

Darby Benton Rachel Phillips Jackson Scarbrough

## 2024

Hannah Diehl Kate Hill Jahel (Zee) Valentin

# TREEF: Empowering REALTORS<sup>®</sup> through Professional Development

#### What is TREEF?

The Tennessee Real Estate Educational Foundation (TREEF) was established in 1968 under Tennessee REALTORS® President Bob Freeman, and was officially charted as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit, tax-exempt educational foundation in 1973.

#### What does TREEF do?

By an amendment to the state association's Bylaws, the authority to conduct educational programs for Tennessee REALTORS® has been delegated to TREEF. The state association has no Education Committee; instead TREEF serves as its "educational arm." TREEF should never be confused with, or thought of, as another committee. As a chartered nonprofit foundation, TREEF has higher purposes and a special mission to fulfill.

#### How is TREEF Governed?

TREEF is governed by an all-REALTOR® Board of Trustees, who serve staggered 3-year terms. Its four-member Executive Committee is composed of the President, President-Elect, Treasurer and Immediate Past President. Each year the Foundation Trustees also elect a non-voting Trustee of Counsel, typically a past president of the Foundation, who meets with the Trustees and is available for special assignments and/or consultation.

**Note:** Trustees are not elected as representatives of any particular association, geographic area or constituency; they are ALL elected as statewide custodians and fiduciaries of the Foundation's mission, programs and assets.

# What are TREEF's higher purposes and special missions?

- The functions, objectives, and purposes of the Foundation are educational, literary, scientific and charitable, with the following objectives:
- To encourage students who wish to see graduate education in real estate with a view to entering the teaching profession.
- To encourage and promote courses in real estate at the community / junior-college level.
- To provide scholarship awards or financial assistance to qualified graduating high school students specializing in allied subjects at the graduate, university or junior-college level.
- To encourage educational programs and seminars that advance the theories and concepts of real estate for those already engaged in the industry.



- To encourage secondary students to study real estate with a view to entering the field.
- To communicate to all managing brokers developmental opportunities for agents that ensure competency and build trust.
- To develop educational tracks for new agents to work toward NAR designations that increase agents' competencies, and for seasoned agents to cultivate business growth and competency.

- To create course work for viable business sustainability.
- To identify emerging faculty and have an ongoing train-the-trainer program.
- To deliver training through varying venues including live streaming, online, webinar, and recorded correspondence.
- To collaborate with local associations and brokerages to provide access to designations and certifications.
- To develop new course work that promotes agent competency and public trust while encompassing changing market and real estate trends.
- To promote classes to brokers and associations.

# Where does the money come from to support TREEF?

TREEF earns income from revenues derived from class attendance in the GRI program, online and live courses, REALTOR® specialized license plates, instructor development, and endowments.

#### How can REALTORS® support TREEF?

- Donate to the TREEF Scholarship Fund. *(See last panel.)*
- Order the specialty Tennessee license plate. *(See graphic.)*
- Consider donating or giving an education legacy to the TREEF Endowment Fund.
- Attend education programs provided or sponsored by Tennessee REALTORS®.