



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

A BIRMINGHAM ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS COMMITTEE

Homeownership & Property Rights

One Government Affairs' Goal is to support and elect candidates to local office that understand the importance of having a healthy real estate industry. It's imperative that we have local elected officials who promote homeownership, protect property rights, and increase political awareness. This is essential to the continued success and growth of the real estate industry and essential to the profitability of your profession.

Birmingham Special Elections – October 8, 2019

The Birmingham Election Commission set October 8, 2019 a special election for the 3 appointed Birmingham City Council seats. The City of Birmingham is voting on a referendum to renew ad valorem taxes for Birmingham City Schools. The taxes were last approved in 1991 and will expire September 2021. Districts up for special election are 1, 6, and 7. Clinton Woods was appointed to District 1, Crystal Smitherman was appointed to District 6, and Wardine Alexander was appointed to District 7.

BAR Task Force to Hold Candidate Screening – August 28, 2019

The Birmingham Association Of REALTORS® Legislative Affairs Committee has assigned a task force to hold candidate screenings August 28, 2019, at 9:00 AM in the BAR Conference Room. The Screening Committee will make recommendations to BAR on who to endorse in the upcoming election.

Scott Turner Speaks at BAR – White House Executive Director

On August 21, 2019 Government Affairs hosted a Listen and learn with guest speaker Scott Turner, the Executive Director of Opportunity and Revitalization for the White House. Over 30 community stakeholders including elected officials, business leaders, community leaders, and our REALTOR® family came together to discuss the latest on opportunity zones.

Fair Housing Fair – October 12, 2019

The Fair Housing Fair will be hosted October 12, 2019 at REV Birmingham. Address is 5529 1st Ave South, Birmingham. Details coming soon to the BAR website.

Habitat for Humanity Blitz – September 2019

Habitat for Humanity Home Builders Blitz will be September 5–12, 2019 in Centerpoint, Alabama. Sign up to volunteer – <https://www.habitatbirmingham.org/> BAR is sponsoring the breakfast in conjunction with Wells Fargo. Kim Lucas, community affairs committee member, is the volunteer point of contact for the Blitz.

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