

Letter from President Chrissie George

May 7, 2020

We are very excited to be safely re-opening the real estate industry here in Michigan. Thank you for your willingness to lead the way in a safe and responsible manner.

At our May 6th Board of Directors meeting, we approved a recommendation from the Finance Committee to provide a 2-month credit towards MLS fees. Active May & June 2020 MLS subscribers will receive a \$110.00 credit and Comp Access Users will receive a \$104 credit. Reductions to budgeted expenses, CARES Act funding, and long-term investments, if needed, will fund the credit.

If you have paid the current second quarter invoice, the credit will be applied to the next MLS invoice. Along with the credit, the Board of Directors has chosen to extend the April invoice due date to June 30, 2020. If you have any questions regarding your billing, please contact the AAABOR staff (finance@aaabor.com).

During this time of uncertainty, we want to come along side each other and help one another. We are excited to announce that our community involvement efforts have allowed us to contribute \$1,000 to each of the following organizations: SOS Community Services, a community-based nonprofit that is dedicated to preventing and ending family homelessness in Washtenaw; Aid in Milan, who provides an emergency food pantry and monthly food distribution to low-income people and helps with the distribution of Home-Delivered Meals to our homebound seniors; and Peace House of Ypsilanti, who provides short term overnight stays to those experiencing homelessness.

Although the AAABOR office remains closed through the governor's Stay Home, Stay Safe executive order, staff is available via phone or email and appointments can be made for curbside pickup of lockboxes. Staff has done a tremendous job adjusting their roles to ensure REALTOR® members have the support they need right now. I sincerely appreciate all of their efforts to keep us informed.

As we begin to re-open and start helping real estate get back to normal, I would encourage you to stay positive, help each other, and protect those around us. Together we are stronger.

Sincerely,
Chrissie George
2020 President
Ann Arbor Area Board of REALTORS®