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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings from the Division of Real Estate,

As we reflect on the past year, the Division of Real Estate (“DRE”) is proud of the progress we made in 2025 and excited to share the accomplishments that have strengthened our mission to serve the public and our licensees. This Spring 2026 newsletter highlights key achievements across our individual units and demonstrates the dedication of our team in achieving our goals.

Throughout 2025, we focused on expanding opportunities to connect with consumers and licensees through enhanced outreach programs, timely updates, and educational resources designed to empower and inform. Consumer protection and exceptional customer service remain at the heart of everything we do, and I want to extend my sincere gratitude to the entire DRE team for their commitment to these values.

In the second half of 2025 we began the strategic implementation of our new licensing system – Comprehensive Online Regulatory Environment (“CORE”). This transition marks a major step forward in modernizing our processes and improving the experience for all stakeholders. We will continue to provide progress updates and detailed timelines in upcoming newsletters as we move toward full integration.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we look forward to building on this momentum and making 2026 another year of innovation and success.

Thank you,
Laurie Murphy



**Laurie Murphy, Director of
the Division of Real Estate**

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 2025



The Division of Real Estate is excited to share some of our outstanding highlights, listed by Unit.

General Counsel

- Real Estate License Rules were updated ([68 IAC 1450](#)) and made effective July 7, 2025. This was a comprehensive amendment to reflect numerous changes to the Act since the Rules were last substantively modified in 2021.
- Appraisal Management Company Rules were updated ([68 IAC 1452](#)) in 2025 and made effective January 5, 2026. This, too, was a comprehensive amendment since changes to the Act were implemented. The accompanying Rules had not been significantly changed since their inception in 2013.
- The Division of Real Estate updated several of its FAQs to better inform consumers and licensees on topics that included applying for a license with a [conviction history](#) and what constitutes an [Estate Sale](#).

Licensing and Education

- Since its launch in June of 2024, the Division has continued to take advantage of the ePay electronic payment system to ensure efficient processing of payments for license applications, renewals, maintenance transactions, and much more. The Division received 4,500 ePay payments in 2025.
- In concert with exam provider PSI and our subject matter expert team, conducted extensive reviews of the State real estate broker and managing broker licensing exams to ensure the content is current and relevant.
- Collaborated with exam provider PSI to establish and implement an endorsement exam option for real estate licensure candidates that focuses on Illinois real estate law.
- Fully transitioned from a reciprocity licensure process to an endorsement licensure process for real estate brokers and managing brokers, so that a licensee from any other state or jurisdiction can apply and work in Illinois.
- Reviewed and approved new endorsement pre-license courses.

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- Continually monitored and updated the consumer-facing DRE webpages to contain the latest forms, applications, and relevant information for licensees and the public.
- Bailey Roseberry joined our team to supervise the Licensing team and provide vital support and assistance to our entire unit.
- Hired a new University of Illinois at Springfield Graduate Public Service Intern to assist the Division.

Complaint Intake

The Complaint Intake Unit received the following number of complaints from January 1 through December 31 in each year presented.

	2024	2025	% Change
Appraisal & AMC	123	125	+1.63%
Auction	16	25	+56.25%
Community Association Manager	178	251	+41.01%
Home Inspection	31	35	+12.90%
Real Estate	791	1,036	+30.97%
Totals	1,139	1,472	+29.23%

Complaint Intake routinely processes from 1,200 to 1,500 complaints per year. Volume varies based on the overall real estate market, as well as licensing cycles and the normal expansion and contraction of license categories.

Examinations Unit

The Examinations Unit once again maintained its exemplary status for 2025.

- Performed examinations on self-sponsored designated managing brokers, corporations, LLC's, LLP's, partnerships and virtual offices to ensure proper licensing and operations in order to maintain strong consumer protections.
- Performed various targeted examinations to assist the Prosecutions Unit in their efforts to protect the public.
- Drafted updates to various internal and external documents to be unveiled and implemented in 2026.
- Completed 404 examinations throughout the entire State of Illinois.
- Completed 179 follow-up compliance examinations.

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- Hired Carmen Guzman as a new Real Estate Professions Examiner in June. Ms. Guzman was previously an experienced investigator for the Division.

Investigations

In 2025, the Division closed with substantial investigative activity across Home Inspection, Appraisal, Auctioneer, Community Association Managers (“CAM”), and Real Estate Brokerage professions. Real Estate and CAM cases drove the majority of our workload and outcomes, while the three smaller categories provided steady contributions throughout the year. 2025 data show strong enforcement activity, consistent case closures, and a continued reduction in backlog from the previous year.

2025 Annual Totals

- New Cases received in 2025: 502
 - Real Estate: 272 (50%)
 - CAM: 153 (30%)
 - Home Inspection: 27 (5%)
 - Appraisal: 29 (6%)
 - Auctioneer: 21 (4%)
- Referred to Prosecutions: 115
 - Real Estate: 68 (59%)
 - CAM: 24 (21%)
 - Appraisal: 17 (15%)
 - Home Inspection: 4 (3%)
 - Auctioneer: 2 (2%)
- Investigations Closed – No Violation: 250
 - Real Estate: 144 (58%)
 - CAM: 78 (31%)
 - Auctioneer: 12 (5%)
 - Appraisal: 11 (4%)
 - Home Inspection: 5 (2%)

Key Insights

- Real Estate and CAM represented the majority of the aged cases and cases referred for prosecution, accounting for over 90% of cases aged more than 1 year old and nearly 80% of prosecutions.
- December surge: Investigations cases peaked at 1,114, with Real Estate and CAM comprising 91%.
- Investigations: Real Estate cases lead the number of investigations completed with 144 cases completed in 2025, followed by CAM with 78 completed.

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Efficiencies

- The Investigations Unit continues to utilize a UIS Graduate Public Service Intern to assist with administrative duties, allowing Chief Hector Rodriguez to focus on caseload reduction and assisting the investigators.
- The Investigations Unit is set to gain three new investigators in 2026 to help reduce caseload.

Trainings

- In October 2025, two members of the Investigations team and one from the Examinations team attended the ARELLO Regulatory Investigations Seminar (“ARIS”) presented by the Association of Real Estate Law Officials (“ARELLO”).
- Investigator James Farrelly completed the 2025 Illinois Coalition of Appraisal Professionals (“ICAP”) Seminar.
- Three members of the Investigations Team completed the Criminal Justice Information Services (“CJIS”) Security and Privacy Training.
- All Members of the Investigations and Prosecutions Teams attended the HOPE Fair Housing Seminar.

Prosecutions

2025 Notable Cases

A **Real Estate Managing Broker**, who owned a brokerage, advertised that they would help individuals purchase properties which were in foreclosure, and utilized an unlicensed entity in their activities. Respondent would take money from people who answered their advertisement, have them sign an exclusive brokerage agreement, but never find a property in return. Additionally, they failed to deposit the monies received into an escrow account. When people requested their money back, the Respondent told people that they needed to use their services because they were bound by the Exclusive Brokerage Agreement. In other instances, Respondent told people that the Exclusive Broker Agreement was a contract to purchase real estate. The Real Estate Managing Broker license of Respondent and entity license were Revoked and each were fined \$1,325,000 for engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public; failing to remit or account for the money of others coming into their possession; failure to properly deposit funds in an escrow account; commingling the money of others with their own funds; false advertising; aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of the unlicensed entity; and dishonest dealing. In addition, the unlicensed Respondent was ordered to Cease and Desist the unlicensed practice of real estate and was assessed a \$375,000 civil penalty.

Appraiser A was employed by an Appraisal Company which was primarily engaged by clients to develop ad valorem retrospective appraisal reports to be used in property tax appeal cases before the Cook County Board of Review (hereinafter “BOR”) and the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (hereinafter “PTAB”). Between October 1, 2021, and February 14, 2024, the Appraiser developed at least 39 such reports. The appraisal reports were submitted to the client property owner and the intended users BOR and/or PTAB. Each report contained a transmittal letter and a certification purportedly signed electronically by Appraiser

B while Appraiser A's Certified General Real Estate Appraisal license was expired. Appraiser A was aware that Appraiser B was not involved in the development and submission of these appraisal reports. Respondent's Certified General Real Estate Appraiser license was revoked and assessed a \$25,000 fine for engaging in this conduct.

A **Community Association Manager** was contracted by a company to perform community association management services for a large condominium association for approximately an eighteen-month period. During this period, Respondent submitted invoices for services in time periods after the date of the invoice, received payment for services to be performed in time periods which had not occurred, and received more payment for services than they were entitled to receive that amounted to thousands of dollars. The community association manager's license was revoked for requesting and receiving compensation that had not been earned.

An **Auctioneer** entered into an auction contract which failed to include required information such as the business address of the auctioneer or auction firm. Respondent conducted the auction, but did not pay the Seller for the items, return the items, or provide an accounting for the items. Respondent failed to account for, remit, or return money and property to the seller. During the course of the investigation, the Respondent failed to provide Department requested information within 30 days. Respondent's Auctioneer License was suspended indefinitely for a minimum period of two years.

A **Home Inspector** failed to obtain required pre-inspection agreements with homeowners before conducting the home inspections. The Home Inspector was fined.

Second Chance Stories

In late 2021, Respondent was convicted in Cook County, Illinois of drug possession. Respondent was sentenced to 24 months of probation, which they successfully completed early in 2023. Respondent disclosed this felony conviction in their application to the Department. Respondent also submitted a personal statement expressing personal accountability and a commitment to rehabilitation and professional development. Respondent has had no further contact with law enforcement since this incident. Following the incident, they have taken over their family's construction company, managing all property renovation and rehabilitation projects. Respondent is an active member of their church, where they lead the youth ministry and coordinate food drives. Respondent expressed a desire to pursue a career in real estate to advance professionally and help others achieve financial stability. Respondent's sponsoring broker was aware of their criminal history, was willing to employ Respondent, and has connected them with a broker mentor who provides guidance. Respondent received their Real Estate Broker license.

Another Respondent applied for a Community Association Manager license. Respondent disclosed on their application felony convictions for a DUI and drug possession from 1995 and 2005. While the convictions were old, they were of a serious nature. The offenses occurred at a time in Respondent's life when they were young, suffering from depression, and associating with risky individuals. In 2004, Respondent obtained employment at a downtown Chicago condominium building in maintenance. The disposition of the felony DUI in 2005 included incarceration in the county jail for 80 days. Respondent's employer and the Condominium Association Board were so impressed with Respondent's work ethic that they held their job open while they served their sentence. Respondent has now been with the same Community Association Management firm for 21 years. Respondent has had a clean record since then. Respondent was seeking the CAM license at the urging of their employer so they would be able to transition to a licensed position. Respondent was issued the license.

From January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025:

Real Estate:	New Cases Received:	68
	Complaints Filed:	29
	Closed:	188
Appraisal:	New Cases Received:	17
	Complaints Filed:	5
	Closed:	60
CAM:	New Cases Received:	24
	Complaints Filed:	3
	Closed:	16
Auction:	New Cases Received:	2
	Complaints Filed:	0
	Closed:	8
Home Inspection:	New Cases Received:	4
	Complaints Filed:	2
	Closed:	10

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Boards

We have four boards within the Division of Real Estate. They are the Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board (“READ”), the Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Board (“CAM”), the Auction Advisory Board, and the Real Estate Appraisal Administration and Disciplinary Board. In 2025, our boards welcomed 10 new appointments and 4 reappointments, culminating in 35 total board members currently serving. Each of our boards represent varying geographic and cultural diversities that continue to be a priority for DRE.

A major function of two of our boards is complaint and case review. This function utilizes the expertise and consumer protection intentions of our board members to advise and guide complaints and cases that come into our Division. Between January 1 and December 31 of 2025, our CAM Board sent 157 complaints to investigations and closed 94. During the same period, our READ Board recommended 235 complaints to investigations with 175 being closed. We value our board members and appreciate their partnership in serving and protecting our consumers.

DRE BOARD OPENINGS

We are always looking for new board member candidates! It is imperative that we maintain a diverse selection of expert board members representing a wide range of geographic regions in the State of Illinois. As terms expire and vacancies need to be filled, we encourage anyone interested to reach out and inquire how and why they may be a good fit for a board role.

Boards that currently have vacancies and/or upcoming term expirations include the following:

- Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board
 - o (3) Broker or Managing Broker*
 - o *MUST be an active broker or managing broker and licensed for a minimum of 10 years

- Real Estate Appraisal Administration and Disciplinary Board
 - o (2) Certified General Real Estate Appraiser*
 - o *MUST be an active appraiser and licensed for a minimum of 5 years

- Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Board
 - o (1) Unit Owner

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on a board, please email Jennifer Rossiter Moreno at jennifer.rossitermoreno@illinois.gov to receive information about basic qualifications and requirements to apply.

TEAMWORK IN ACTION: UPDATING ILLINOIS' REAL ESTATE EXAMS FOR 2026

by Jeremy Reed, Deputy Director



You've probably heard the saying, "teamwork makes the dream work." Or perhaps, "It takes a village." Whichever phrase you prefer, both perfectly capture the spirit of our collaborative project that defined the Division of Real Estate's (DRE) Licensing and Education efforts in 2025.

In 2025, DRE undertook a major initiative to review and update the Illinois-specific broker and managing broker licensure exam questions. The goal? To ensure the exams reflect current industry standards, are fair and relevant, and continue to support the licensure of competent real estate professionals across the State.

To accomplish this, DRE called upon a group of experienced, creative, and deeply committed subject matter experts (SMEs). These professionals brought their expertise, insight, and passion to the table, contributing dozens of hours throughout the year to help secure the future of real estate in Illinois. And their impact was significant!

Without this dedicated team, the project would have taken DRE staff most of the year to complete. Thanks to the SMEs, hundreds of existing exam questions were reviewed, and hundreds more were created and refined. Their work was thorough, thoughtful, and bold, and the group wasn't afraid to challenge each other, review outdated content, or flag confusing questions that could trip up new brokers.

What stood out just as much as their expertise was their chemistry. Each session was filled with lively discussion, laughter, and a shared commitment to building a quality exam. The collaborative energy made even the most complex tasks manageable and, dare I say, enjoyable.

The results of this project will go live in early 2026, marking one of the most comprehensive updates to the Illinois broker exams in recent years. Several members of this team also contributed to the National Exam Question Review held last year, further demonstrating their dedication to the profession at both the state and national levels.

To say Illinois is fortunate to have such a committed group is an understatement.

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A Heartfelt “Thank You”!!

The Division of Real Estate would like to publicly recognize and thank this outstanding team of SMEs. Their contributions will have a lasting impact on the quality and integrity of real estate licensure in Illinois.

Participants:

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REMINDER: ILLINOIS REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSE RENEWAL BEGINS FEBRUARY 2026

by Nathaniel Chandler, Chief of Licensing
and Education



Attention Illinois real estate brokers: The renewal for broker licenses is now open!

Here's what you need to know:

- **Renewal Window:** February through April 30, 2026.
- **Renewal Notice:** You will receive an email from the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) in **early February**. This email will include your renewal notice and detailed instructions for completing the process via your Online Services Portal account.
- **Education Requirements:** Complete your continuing education ("CE") or post-license requirements before submitting your renewal. The requirements are described here: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/idfpr/forms/dre/2026cefactsheet-realestatebroker.pdf>.
- **Avoid Late Fees:** Renew as early as possible to avoid processing delays or late penalties!

Stay proactive—check your license status and update your contact information with IDFPR ahead of time by accessing your Online Services Portal account here: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/>. Preparing ahead will help you avoid last-minute issues! Need assistance getting logged in? See our User Guides & Resources page here: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/onlineresources.html>.

Check out **IDFPR's Real Estate Brokerage website** at: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/realest.html> for future updates. Questions? Email us at FPR.RealEstate@illinois.gov.

2026 RENEWAL DEADLINES THROUGH JULY 31, 2026

- Real Estate Broker 4/30/2026
- Leasing Agent 7/31/2026



YOU'VE BEEN CONTACTED BY AN IDFPR INVESTIGATOR – NOW WHAT? (PART 3)

In our [Summer 2025 Newsletter](#), we reviewed the initial process of a complaint, from receipt to review by our Investigations Unit. Our [Fall 2025 Newsletter](#) explained the process after a complaint has been referred from the Investigations Unit to the Prosecutions Unit. In this final installment of the series, we review possible outcomes of a disciplinary action.

So, if the Department finds that a person may have violated a regulatory Act, what offers or actions can we make to reach a resolution?

Public or Non-Public Discipline

The first consideration is whether the discipline will be public or non-public.

- A **non-public discipline** is memorialized in a document called a Non-Disciplinary Order. This type of settlement is not reported on IDFPR's website and generally, the monetary penalty will be less than if the violation was made public. A Non-Disciplinary Order is used in many cases where the violation is considered minor and often requires that the licensee take a course to improve their education on the topic of the violation.
- Public resolutions are memorialized in documents called Consent Orders and are reported on IDFPR's website. Public discipline often includes a requirement that the licensee completes an education course. However, public discipline may only include a Reprimand, which is a public notation of the violation, and nothing more.

Suspension or Revocation

In cases involving serious misconduct – which may involve multiple violations – a **suspension** or **revocation** may occur.

- A suspension may either be for a definite period or an indefinite period with a stated minimum, e.g., a minimum of one year. With a definite period, the license reactivates automatically, whereas with an indefinite suspension the licensee will have to file a Petition to Restore (PTR) their license at the conclusion of the minimum period. In order for a licensee to reactivate or to file a PTR, the licensee must fulfill all other conditions called for by the settlement, such as payment of fines or education.
- For the most serious cases, a license may be revoked. A Revocation by law is for a minimum of three years, at which time after the minimum stated a PTR may be filed. There may also be fines and education requirements involved.

It's important to note that all of the settlement agreements reached with DRE contain a provision that failure to complete the requirements may result in an Order that indefinitely suspends or revokes the Respondent's license or increases the administrative fee or fine.

Probation

*We also have the ability to place a license on **probation**, but the licensee can still practice.*

Using the Real Estate profession as an example, a term of Probation often requires the broker to file quarterly reports to DRE that are signed by their managing broker. We can also impose practice restrictions such as the licensee may not self-sponsor, sponsor other brokers, or be the designated managing broker for a real estate entity.

Further, in many cases where there is a complaint against a broker, the sponsor and the designated managing broker will be added as Respondents in the case due to a failure to supervise. This often results in fines for the sponsor and the DMB in addition to completing a "Principles of Supervision" course. See the managing broker responsibilities at 225 ILCS 454/10-20; 10-55; and 68 IAC 1450.700; 705.

It is also important to recognize the responsibilities of those in other professions who operate via corporate entities such as the Designated Controlling Person (Appraisal Management Companies), Designated Community Association Managers (Community Association Management Firms), Managing Auctioneers (Auction Firms), and Managing Home Inspectors (Home Inspector Entities). These individuals --pursuant to the applicable sections of the respective Acts or Rules-- have supervisory duties and are responsible for the activities of licensees and non-licensees who work for them.

The Bottom Line: We are aware that things can go off track. DRE's Investigations and Prosecutions teams operate in a fair manner and listen to your side of the story. In many cases, we will settle matters short of going to trial. So don't panic when you see that original email, but most importantly, don't ignore the matter and respond in a transparent and forthright manner.

PERSONNEL UPDATES



Congratulations! Jeremy Reed, Deputy Director

Deputy Director of Real Estate Jeremy Reed was elected to serve on the 2026 Board of Directors for the Association of Appraiser Regulatory Officials (“AARO”). AARO is the only nationally chartered organization dedicated to the regulations of real property appraisers and are committed to the success and advancement of state appraiser and appraisal management company regulatory programs. Congratulations to Deputy Director Reed on this accomplishment!

Congratulations
**DEPUTY
DIRECTOR
REED**
*Elected to the 2026
Association of Appraisal
Regulatory Officials
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Welcome! Laverne Elliott, Complaint Intake Unit

Laverne Elliott joins the Division of Real Estate as an Administrative Assistant in the Complaint Intake Unit. Ms. Elliott was born in Chicago and grew up on the south side of the city. She mainly worked in corporate America before moving to Florida and then Georgia. While living in Georgia, she was a Career Coach for Georgia Gwinnett College, a ‘Dress for Success’ Coach, and a mentor to more than 11,000 students. She also worked for a real estate company as a Real Estate Project Assistant where she served as the liaison between homeowners and the City of Atlanta, assisting them with understanding the proposed road improvement projects and how the projects may affect their property. She moved back to Chicago to be closer to family, and in her spare time enjoys reading, cooking and being a dog mom. We are thrilled to have Laverne on our team!



EVENTS



Association of Real Estate License Law Officials' Regulatory Investigations Seminar

DRE Chief of Investigations Hector Rodriguez, Investigator Jim Farrelly, and Supervisor of Examinations Billie Phillips attended the Association of Real Estate License Law Officials' Regulatory Investigations Seminar ("ARIS") in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in October. The annual seminar focuses on best practices for uncovering and investigating consumer fraud, as well as managing caseloads and workflow. This year's topics included AI in the industry, the latest techniques on auditing and testifying, and strategies for strengthening collaboration between government agencies and state law enforcement. These trainings support the work of our Investigations and Examination teams, as well as the Division as a whole.



2025 Midwest Occupational Licensing Summit

IDFPF was the host for the 2025 Midwest Occupational Licensing Summit in October. Licensing regulators from Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana and Ohio joined us to discuss the topics and challenges that regulators encounter. DRE Director Laurie Murphy moderated a discussion titled "Opposite Ends, Shared Stakes: Real Estate Industry & Regulators in Dialogue". Panelists Charlie Y. Lee, Colette Massengale and Rodney M. Gansho (National Association of Realtors), and Jessica Hickok (Association of Real Estate License Law Officials) explored topics in which industry and regulators align and where they don't. From legal challenges and fair housing, to evolving licensing standards and public trust, the panelists offered insight into

some of the most pressing issues shaping real estate regulation today. In addition, DRE Deputy General Counsel Gabriela Nicolau was the moderator for a "Regulator Roundtable" discussion and a participant in the panel titled "Concurrent Goals: Policies to Protect the Public and Advance Entry and Reentry into the Professions".

Association of South Asian Real Estate Professionals – Annual Gala

Division of Real Estate Director Laurie Murphy was an honored guest at the Association of South Asian Real Estate Professionals' ("ASARP") annual gala in Elmhurst on October 24. ASARP is a non-profit organization that promotes education and representation for the South Asian real estate professionals. This year's event was a celebration of ASARP's 10-year anniversary, and we congratulate Shirin Marvi – a board member on our Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board – on her appointment as a lifetime Vice Chair for the group and Sunita Kakarlapudi on her reelection as ASARP's President!



QUARTERLY ENFORCEMENT REPORT

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These enforcement actions were taken by DRE during October-November, 2025. All enforcement actions by IDFPR may be found in our monthly enforcement reports [HERE](#).

[October 2025 IDFPR Enforcement Report \(illinois.gov\)](#)

[November 2025 IDFPR Enforcement Report \(illinois.gov\)](#)

[December 2025 IDFPR Enforcement Report \(illinois.gov\)](#)

REAL ESTATE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



Each fiscal year, IDFPR is authorized to fund at least \$15,000 to a scholarship program for historically marginalized persons who wish to pursue courses of study that will prepare them for careers relating to real estate or enhance the skills and knowledge that they currently use as real estate professionals (225 ILCS 454/25-25). The State of Illinois contracts with the Illinois Real Estate Educational Foundation (“REEF”) to administer the Illinois Diversity Real Estate Scholarship Program. Since 2019 the Department has doubled the yearly funding amount to \$30,000. This has allowed REEF to award thirty \$1,000 scholarships each fiscal year to qualified residents of Illinois.

To learn more or apply, click the link below:

<https://www.ilreef.org/scholarships/>



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