







# The Evolving Future of the MLS: Change and Collaboration

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## **Seattle King County Realtors®:**



- Russell Hokanson, Chief Executive Officer, RCE
- Founding Board of NAR in 1908
- 7500 agents in 300 branch offices
- Represent 1/3 of State's Realtors®
- Comprise 50% of NWMLS subscribers in King County, but close 80-85% of broker assisted transactions
- Cover 39 municipalities within King County



# Northwest Multiple Listing Service (NWMLS):



- Tom Hurdelbrink, President & CEO
- Not for Profit WA Corporation, formed 1984
- Members are Broker Firms & Offices = 2,594
  - Total MLS billable users = 34,864
    - Service Area: 26 counties in WA, 21 service centers



# **Commercial Brokers Association (CBA):**



- Chris McDougall, President & CEO
- Founded in 1977
- Headquartered in Lynnwood, WA (north of Seattle)
- Largest Commercial MLS in the USA with 1,100 member firms and 4,500 brokers
- Serving the states of Washington and Idaho
- Run the organization as a Not For Profit, but tax classification is a corporation



### Washington REALTORS®:



- Nathan Gorton, Government Affairs Director
- WASHINGTON REALTORS® represents over 23,000 members in every community in Washington state.
- Candidates, campaigns, PACs, organizations, or entities receiving funds from the REALTOR® PAC (RPAC) must conduct themselves in a manner that reflect WR's most fundamental values.
- Washington REALTORS® is an acknowledged national leader in developing programs and policies to increase access to homeownership for marginalized communities.
- WR is committed to treating everyone with dignity and respect, and to upholding the goals and spirit of the Fair Housing Act.





### **Engaging in 'Change Management'**

- Accept that change is going to happen.
- Set specific goals.
- Recognize your current reality.
- Mindset is everything.

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