



**FREDERICK
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Newsletter

The United Voice for Real Estate in Frederick County

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FCAR SOCIAL SHORTCUTS



October 9: Annual Membership Meeting

Legal Update: Beau Pichon | Lender Update: Natalie Winter

MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM

Incumbent Michael O'Connor (D) | Tom Trott (R)

Submit your questions in advance! (hugh@fcar.org)

REGISTER EARLY



Vote Today: 2026 Officer & Director Elections

Get involved! Cast your vote for your 2026 association leadership.



VOTE IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP PORTAL BY OCT. 1



In Case You Missed It

Recap: YPN Cornhole Tournament



What a day! The fourth annual Young Professionals Network (YPN) Cornhole Tournament at Utica Park was a blast.

Dozens of REALTORS®, Strategic Partners, and non-member guests piled into Shelter 2 for an afternoon of drinks, Mission BBQ, and cornhole. **Congratulations to this year's winners: Johnny Foley and Houston Darling.** Visit our Facebook page for sponsor info and full details.

News You Can Use

Big Dates & Deadlines

Through Sept. 30

2026 Officer & Director Elections

Vote by Oct. 1 in your Membership Portal

Thursday, October 9

Annual Membership Meeting

Featuring a Frederick City Mayoral Candidate Forum with Tom Trott and Michael O'Connor

October 20-23

MD REALTORS® Conference

Ocean City, MD

November 14-16

NAR NXT Conference

Houston, TX

Mid-November

2026 FCAR Dues Rollout

Thursday, November 20

FCARe Charity Auction

Union Mills Public House
Benefiting Phoenix Recovery Academy

Wednesday, December 3

Installation & Holiday Brunch

Holly Hills Country Club

Thursday, January 22

Membership Meeting with Lawrence Yun of NAR

Registration opens later this fall

Housing Market Statistics

More market statistics are available on our [housing statistics](#) page.



Bright MLS service area

Week ending: September 14, 2025

bright
MLS

	Week Ending 2025-09-14	Compared to a year ago	Compared to a week ago
Showings	81,674	+ 0.2%	+ 3.2%
New Purchase Contracts	5,892	+ 1.5%	+ 10.9%
Median Time to Contract	28 days	+ 4.0 days	+ 1.0 days
New Listings	6,398	+ 5.9%	+ 3.4%
Median List Price	\$435,000	+ 3.6%	+ 3.3%
Active Listings	45,408	+ 25.2%	+ 2.5%
Price Decrease %	9.7%	+ 0.5 pp	+ 0.1 pp
Canceled Listings	454	+ 15.8%	+ 2.8%

VIEW BRIGHT MLS WEEKLY STATS



News You Can Use

Important Update from 'Stop MPRP'



**PSC SETS
PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE
FOR MPRP CASE**

**MAR 2, 2026 – PSEG MUST FILE
UPDATED ANALYSIS**

**SEPT 21 & 28, 2026 – PUBLIC HEARINGS
IN EACH COUNTY**

**MARCH 2027 – FINAL DECISION
EXPECTED**

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Classroom



Boardroom

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FCAR.ORG/EVENTS

United Way Day of Action **Friday, Oct. 1** | 9:30 AM-3:00 PM (end time approximate)

Your FCAR Community Service Committee is assembling a team to tackle projects at this yearly volunteer event.

Contact frederick@kimberlyjohnngroup.com to sign up.



Annual Membership Meeting and Mayoral Candidate Forum

Thursday, Oct. 9 | 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

Featuring incumbent **Mayor Michael O'Connor (D)** and challenger **Tom Trott (R)**. Submit your questions in advance to hugh@fcar.org. Also featuring the 2026 FCAR Budget update and board election results. Legal update by Beau Pichon and Lender Update by Natalie Winter.

YPN Happy Hour **Thursday, Oct. 16** | 4:30-6:30 PM at Brewer's Alley

Save the date for our next monthly networking event. Sponsored by **D.R. Horton** and **Friends Title & Escrow**.

MD REALTORS® Annual Conference **Oct. 20-23** | Ocean City, MD

Registration is still open for Maryland REALTORS® annual conference at the DoubleTree Hilton Ocean City Oceanfront.

FCARe Charity Auction **Thursday, Nov. 20** | 5:30-9:00 PM at Union Mills Public House

Save the date! **Help support Phoenix Recovery Academy**—Maryland's only recovery high school—by sponsoring, donating auction items, or bidding on items to raise money. Full details available on our website. Ticket sales open soon.

Installation & Holiday Party **Wednesday, Dec. 3** | 11:30 AM-1:00 PM at Holly Hills

Save the date for a Holiday Brunch and the Installation of FCAR's 2026 President, Officers, and Directors.

(Gold Sponsor: **Chalet Settlements**; Mimosa Sponsor: **Friends Title & Escrow**) Ticket sales will open in October.

FCAR.ORG/CLASSES

In-person classes are noted with an asterisk(*) and all other classes are virtual.

Please use your [Membership Portal](#) to sign up. Visit fcar.org and click the login button or visit go.fcar.org/login.

For virtual courses, Zoom links will be sent out the day before the class to the registered e-mail address.

Legal & Legislative Update

Thu., Sep. 18 | 9AM-12PM on Zoom
MD REALTORS®

MREC RE Brokerage Relationships & Disclosures

Tue., Sep. 23 | 10AM-1PM on Zoom
with MD REALTORS®

Legal & Legislative Update

Thu., Sep. 18 | 9AM-12PM on Zoom
MD REALTORS®

New Member Orientation (non-CE)

Tue., Sep. 30 | 9:30-11AM at FCAR
Marie Lagos, BHHS Penfed Realty

Preparing Buyers and Sellers for Home Inspections

Wed., Oct. 8 | 10-11:30AM at FCAR
Dan Deist, Top to Bottom Services

MD PRO\$ Presentation on Oil Heat

Tue., Oct. 14 | 10-11:30AM on Zoom
Susan Janett, Program Director and
Nat'l Energy Advocate for PRO\$

Fair Housing: Bias Override

Tue., Nov. 4 | 1-4PM at FCAR
Mary Chieppa

MD Code of Ethics

Thu., Nov. 6 | 1-4PM on Zoom
MD REALTORS®

Looking for your next Designation?

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Oct. 1-2 | 1-4 PM on Zoom with David Piatek

REGISTER AT GCAAR.COM | \$185

Oct. 15-17 | 8:30AM-1:30PM on Zoom with Mary Chieppa

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Nov. 19-21 | 8:30AM-2:00PM on Zoom with Mary Chieppa

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FREE BRIGHT MLS TRAINING

BRIGHT MLS TIPS & TRICKS

Fri., Sept. 26 | 10-11 AM with Steve Hoover, Customer Success Coach

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