



The Youngstown Columbiana Association of REALTORS,® Inc.

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Deborah Barber awarded Ohio REALTORS® 2021 REALTOR® of the Year & YCAR REALTOR® of the Year!

Youngstown, OH: Deborah Barber of Niles, OH, was honored as the Ohio REALTORS 2021 “REALTOR of the Year” at the Ohio REALTORS® 111th annual convention & EXPO, Sept. 27th-29th in Columbus. Debbie was also honored as the YCAR 2021 “REALTOR® of the Year” at the annual membership meeting on September 24th at the Tippecanoe Country Club.

“The measure of achievement is doing something that you appreciate, something you believe is worthwhile.” – source unknown

It has become a long-standing tradition of YCAR that every year, each member can nominate one person whom they believe fits the award criteria, which includes their involvement in the levels of the REALTOR® organization, their business and educational experience and their community activity.

The purpose of this award is to recognize and honor a REALTOR® who is an active member of our association who has provided outstanding service to the real estate profession and to their community and for achievement or involvement not only in our local association but Ohio REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS® as well.

Debbie is affiliated with Altobelli Real Estate and has been a REALTOR® and active member of the association since 1986. She has served on and chaired a variety of association committees, including Legislative, RPAC, & Professional Standards, and has served on the Board of Directors several years. She also has a regular presence at all events and programs held by the local association. For the state association, she has been an active participant in Ohio REALTORS® governance meetings as a director, as well as serving as a member and chairing a host of Committees- including Professional Standards, Issues Mobilization, Legal Issues Forum, Government Forum, Legislative, and RPAC Fundraising among others. She has supported the RPAC for years, including joining the ranks of Major Investor Status in 2018 and 2019. She has served as the National Association of REALTORS® Federal Political Coordinator for Representative Tim Ryan since 2013. Civically, Barber is very involved in her local community- serving on the Board of Directors for Avenue & Main, serving as a trustee for Niles Democratic Club, and serving as a Eucharistic minister and Parish Council member for Blessed Mother Society, and volunteers with the Niles Historical Society. In addition, Barber has earned the Accredited Buyers Representative and Certified Residential Specialist professional designations.

“I am so very honored to be chosen to receive this prestigious award. Thank you for the confidence the Ohio REALTORS have placed in me.”

-Deborah Barber, 2021 REALTOR® of the Year, Youngstown Columbiana Association of REALTORS® (photo below)

About the Youngstown Columbiana Association of REALTORS®: The Youngstown Columbiana Association of REALTORS® is a non-profit trade association that was formed in 1910. It is the mission of the Youngstown Columbiana Association of REALTORS® to serve its members by protecting and enhancing the

members' rights and capabilities to conduct their real estate business and increase their profit opportunities; by monitoring compliance with professional standards thus enabling members to serve the public in a competent and ethical manner; by expanding legislative influence to promote and protect private property rights for the benefit of the real estate marketplace.

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