



**GREATER BERGEN  
REALTORS®**

## **2026 Greater Bergen REALTORS® Rising Star Award**

Greater Bergen REALTORS®, “Rising Star Award” recognizes current and past professional achievements by a newly licensed sales agent. Along with high moral standards, ethical character and promising success in the real estate industry.

Nominations may be submitted by the Broker or Principal/Manager of Primary GBR member firms through a typed application of the candidate's qualifications. NOTE: The candidate's name should not appear in the text of the letter; the identity of the candidate should appear only on the official application. The **submission deadline is Friday, February 27, 2026**. Finalists will be selected from those nominated by the members of the GBR Awards and Verification Committee and their selection affirmed by the GBR Board of Directors. The winner will be announced, and the award presented at the Circle of Excellence Award Ceremony.

**The Criteria for selection are:**

1. A GBR member in good standing as of December 31, 2025.
2. Less than three years as a salesperson/agent; initially licensed after January 1, 2023.

**The Following Sections, Number 3-8 Must Be Addressed in Separate Paragraphs with Examples:**

3. Has exhibited sound moral character and high ethical professional behavior.
4. A list of the transactions in which the salesperson/agent, had a meaningful role demonstrating ability to originate, analyze, negotiate and close deals. Included on the list should be the dollar value and if the agent acted independently or as a member of a team or partnership.
5. Displayed leadership qualities with good teamwork skills.
6. Has already contributed to the firm's success.
7. Has participated in charitable endeavors.
8. Actively engaged in GBR events and meetings.

**Selection Process**

- Nominations will be reviewed, and selected finalists may be interviewed by an impartial group consisting of the GBR Awards and Verification Committee.
- Copy of the original license held by firm must be provided.
- A recent digital photo of the candidate must be submitted via email with the application. The picture will not be shown to the verification committee; will be used at the awards presentation.
- Applications must enclose the application sheet when submitting.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026**



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Rising Star Award Application**

Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's NRDS Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Licensure: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Brokerage: \_\_\_\_\_

Brokerage Office Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I verify the information contained in this submission is true and correct:

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Signature of Designated REALTOR

Date

Each Entry should be typed double-spaced on no more than two letter size "8 1/2 x 11" paper.  
**The Candidate name should not be included in the body/text of the letter.**

All candidates must be primary members of the Greater Bergen REALTORS® and in Good Standing as of December 31, 2025 in order to be eligible.

Are you currently or have you been, during the last 12 months, the respondent (defendant) in an Ethics complaint?       Yes       No

I verify the information contained in this submission is true and correct

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Signature of Candidate

Please Print Name

**Please include photo of candidate in high resolution JPEG format with application.**

**Deadline:**    All Applications must be received by: **Friday, February 27, 2026**  
No exceptions or extensions will be granted.

**Email to:**    Lenka Stastna  
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