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VAR, VHDA Scholarship Winners Announced

Three Virginia college students were recently selected as Virginia Association of REALTORS® and Virginia Housing Development Authority scholarship recipients.

Each year, VAR and VHDA partner to provide the \$2,000 scholarships to real estate students attending George Mason University, Virginia Commonwealth University, or Virginia Tech.

The scholarships are designed to advance the study of the real estate industry as a profession by recognizing full-time students who are engaged in the study of real estate or real estate finance.

This year's recipients are:

Robert Phillips of Mason Neck; Virginia Tech

Major: Marketing management, Pamplin College of Business
Minors: Real estate, international business

Brandt Stitzer of New Kent; Virginia Tech

Major: Finance and accounting, Pamplin College of Business
Minor: Real estate

Ellen Zapata of Fairfax; George Mason University

Major: Regional development in public policy

The recipients were awarded their VAR/VHDA scholarships during the recent VAR Legislative and Education Conference in Richmond.

About VAR

The Virginia Association of REALTORS® is the business advocate for real estate professionals in Virginia. VAR represents more than 30,000 REALTORS® active in all phases of real estate brokerage, management, development and appraisal. Our mission is to enhance our membership's ability to achieve business success.

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About VHDA

VHDA is a self-supporting, not-for-profit organization created by the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1972, to help Virginians attain quality, affordable housing. Our mortgages are funded by bonds we issue, not by taxpayer dollars, and are available for homebuyers and developers of quality rental housing. We also teach free homeownership classes, and help people with disabilities and the elderly make their homes more livable. VHDA works with lenders, developers, local governments, community service organizations and others to help put quality housing within the reach of every Virginian.

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