



REBNY and Coro New York Leadership Center celebrate the newest graduating class of REBNY fellows

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New York, NY The Real Estate Board of New York (REBNY), in partnership with premier civic leadership training program Coro New York Leadership Center, celebrated the newest graduating class of its REBNY Fellows Leadership Program.

Over the past six months, more than a dozen select rising real estate leaders from diverse backgrounds and companies in the City completed a high-impact, six-month training program focused on developing leadership skills. In addition to gaining networking exposure and civic leadership training, REBNY Fellows were also called upon to solve complex challenges, assess multiple perspectives and collaborate effectively while becoming part of a lifelong professional network that supports their continued success.

“This year’s program and the network it created for our Fellows resulted in connections that will continue deliver value throughout their careers,” said Yvonne Riley-Tepie, REBNY’s senior vice president of Social Impact. “This group had invaluable experiences including dynamic training, unique networking opportunities and access to industry leaders. We’ve been fortunate to witness this talented group of individuals grow, and we look forward to seeing them continue to excel within the industry.”

“Coro empowers diverse leaders and helps to create a more equitable, inclusive and innovative society. Having worked closely with REBNY and this group of Fellows over the last six months, we’re confident each of them are armed with the tools to succeed,” said Garrett Lucien, Coro’s vice president of Programs & Training. “Congratulations to the REBNY Fellows Class of 2022!”

The REBNY Fellows Leadership Program was designed and launched based on an overarching commitment by REBNY’s Diversity Committee to create new professional opportunities and take additional steps to increase diversity and inclusion throughout the real estate industry.

REBNY is dedicated to advancing efforts that help attract, retain, and advance women, people of color, and others from diverse backgrounds in the real estate industry. Beyond the Fellows Program, REBNY is actively engaged in other social impact programming including its collaboration with the City University of New York and the non-profit Project Destined to provide paid internship opportunities to diverse CUNY undergraduate students. Additionally, REBNY partners with Building

Skills NY to connect underemployed New Yorkers with jobs and training to create new career pathways into the construction industry, a partnership that has resulted in placing approximately 1,500 individuals from diverse backgrounds in construction jobs since 2016.

Those interested in applying to the next Fellows Leadership Program are welcome to reach out to REBNY's Social Impact team at any time to express interest in becoming a Fellow next year. The application period will formally reopen later this summer and the next class of REBNY Fellows will be announced in early 2023.

A full list of this year's REBNY Fellows graduates is listed below:

Emarie Bohanon, senior associate - debt capital markets, Tishman Speyer
Eduardo Fiallo, vice president, property management, Hines
Kathleen Meagher, commercial property assistant manager, The Durst Organization
Carla Giarrusso, senior project manager, Suffolk Construction
Kevelyn Guzman, chief operating officer, Warburg Realty Coldwell Banker
Ericka Hernandez, vice president - insurance, Rudin Management
Brandon Joy, vice president, operations, Stonehenge
Patricia Leung, senior associate, Nuveen Real Estate
Anthony Migliore Jr., operations manager - Empire State Building, Empire State Realty Trust
Elizabeth Polanco, general manager, Gotham Organization
Hiro Sato, development manager, Lendlease
Zoe Skyy, associate broker, Keller Williams NYC
Kristina Tougas, project manager, CBRE
Jaesung Yoon, associate, Hemsley Spear