

## McAllister of Statewide Abstract raises money for HGAR Foundation biking 142 miles

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Matt McAllister

White Plains, NY Matt McAllister, COO of Statewide Abstract, recently participated in a grueling 142-mile bike race in Colorado to raise money to benefit the Hudson Gateway Realtor Foundation (HGRF). McAllister, who is also an agent with Corcoran Baer & McIntosh in Nyack, is chair of the HGRF Project Committee that plans volunteer events.

If 142 miles wasn't enough, the world-class gravel race takes place over more than 10,000 ft. of elevation gain making it the most difficult race McAllister has ever completed.

"STB GRVL is a world-class gravel bike race in Steamboat Springs covering 142 miles at altitudes of 6,900 ft. to 8,500 ft. Thanks to the high heat, high altitude, and high effort on these Rocky Mountain roads I was physically wrecked by the end. It was an amazing experience to be able to go that deep and come away with a pretty good time of 9:31. You learn a lot about yourself at the far reaches of an endurance event like this and, if nothing else, it was a nice reminder that I don't know how to quit," stated McAllister who has competed in a total of 13 races.

His goal was to raise \$6,000 for the HGRF and he is about halfway there having raised \$2,706 to date. The GoFundMe page is still open and donations can still be made congratulating Matt and adding to the funds that will go directly to HGRF. The link for donations is https://gofund.me/6f5e3781.

"I chose to raise money for HGRF because I have seen firsthand how thankful the recipient organizations are for our grants and how far the money goes on a local level," he said. "There is a direct impact in the communities we serve in the real estate industry, and I think it is our responsibility to give back and support the health and happiness of our fellow citizens."

In 2020, McAllister completed his own course consisting of a 204-mile bike trek through the Hudson Valley, across the George Washington Bridge, and through Manhattan and Queens, finishing in Long Island. That ride raised money for the Hillside Food Outreach, which provides in-home food delivery for those in need in Westchester, Putnam, and Fairfield counties.

Five years earlier, he completed a 70-mile Half Ironman Triathlon in Maryland. The event involved a 1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike ride and 13.1-mile run. McAllister ran his first 50K (30-miles) marathon through Harriman State Park in Orange and Rockland counties in 2017 and in 2019, he ran a 50-mile marathon in New Paltz.

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