



WHY CONTRIBUTE TO H.A.F.?

✓ **What is the CAR Housing Affordability Fund (H.A.F.)?**

The HAF was established in 2002 as a charitable non-profit fund, whose purpose is to provide direct assistance to address the housing crisis in California. The state suffers from both a chronic long-term housing shortfall and a chronic housing affordability problem.

C.A.R. already has a long track record of achievements on the housing affordability front in the policy/legislative arena. The H.A.F. will support statewide and local efforts to make a direct impact on the housing affordability problem.

✓ **What is the H.A.F. Mission Statement?**

The CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® Housing Affordability Fund plays an active role in addressing the ongoing housing affordability crisis facing our state. The fund will raise and distribute funds and partner with other groups to promote housing and homeownership and address all housing opportunities locally and statewide.

✓ **Are contributions to the H.A.F. tax-deductible?**

Yes. This is a charitable fund so your contributions as an individual/business are tax-deductible to the extent provided by law. H.A.F. is exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of IRS Code.

✓ **Where can I send my contribution?**

We are happy to announce that our new **H.A.F. Online Donation Payment Service** is now available. No matter where you are, you can make a (FREE) online payment anytime of the day. It provides a fast, secure, and convenient way to donate online, not only is this online bill payment system easy to use, but you can also sign up for a payment plan directly here, plus you'll receive an automatic e-mail alert when your payment is made to your account.

IT'S SIMPLE, MAKE YOUR DONATION HERE TODAY!

Or you can always mail your contributions to the address below:

Make checks payable to:

C.A.R. Housing Affordability Fund (or C.A.R.H.A.F.)
CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®
Attn.: Alma Menchaca
Member Information Department
525 S. Virgil Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90020

✓ **What types of contributions can the H.A.F. accept?**

The H.A.F. can accept contributions in the form of cash, checks, and credit card payments. For more information on the types of contributions H.A.F. accepts, please contact Julissa Gómez at (213) 739-8380 or julissag@car.org

✓ **Who may contribute to the H.A.F.?**

The H.A.F. accepts tax-deductible charitable contributions from REALTORS®, other individuals as well as business and other organizations.

✓ **How will the HAF address housing affordability problems? What types of projects will H.A.F. support?**

H.A.F. supports a wide variety of programs based on the stated need and participation of the local REALTOR® association. Some efforts have included:

- Down payment or closing cost assistance.
- Employer assisted housing program.
- These are just examples. Each local association is free to choose solutions that fit the needs of its community.