



## Why Invest in RPAC?

The REALTORS® Political Action Committee (RPAC) is influential in electing bipartisan candidates that support issues vital to our careers and the institution of home ownership. Here are three significant examples of RPAC's impact:

- 1. Past Success** - RPAC has helped protect the real estate industry from a **4% Sales Tax on Services**. Recent state budgets have included a proposal to expand the state sales tax on services to REALTOR® commissions, mortgage origination, attorney fees, home inspections, appraisal fees, title fees and similar items. PAR was able to defeat this new tax through RPAC.
- 2. Recent Success** - Pennsylvania already has one of the **highest realty transfer taxes** in the country. Through RPAC, REALTORS® have been able to defeat recent legislative proposals to increase this tax even further. Early this year, REALTORS® successfully opposed a provision in the transportation funding bill that would allow municipalities to increase the local portion of the realty transfer tax (RTT) by .5 percent in order to fund mass transit.
- 3. Ongoing Challenge** - The **mortgage interest deduction** is under attack in Washington. Congress is considering proposals that would begin to chip away at the mortgage interest deduction. RPAC will be at the table to preserve this important foundation of home ownership.

Make your investment in RPAC to build a stronger real estate industry and to protect your livelihood.