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## **REALTORS® Receive Recognition at GGAR Awards Banquet**

Glen Carbon, IL — US Bank was named 2009 Affiliate of the Year by the Greater Gateway Association of REALTORS® (GGAR) at their annual Awards Banquet on February 26 at the Gateway Center in Collinsville.

US Bank has supported GGAR throughout the year by regularly attending Affiliates Committee meetings and volunteering their time and talent. They are team players who are committed to the association's members and have gone above and beyond to assist the association with numerous events.

The Affiliates Committee is composed of lenders, appraisers, housing inspectors, home improvement companies, title companies, community and government offices, local newspapers, and construction services whose goal is to enhance vendor relationships with REALTORS®.

The Affiliate of the Year award is presented annually to an affiliate member organization of GGAR that actively participates in the Affiliates Committee and willingly supports the association.

The Greater Gateway Association of REALTORS® serves over 1,200 REALTOR® and affiliate members in the southwestern Illinois region including the counties of Bond, Calhoun, Fayette, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, Monroe, and Montgomery. The Association strives to promote education, professionalism, and ethical conduct in the real estate industry, to continue to be an advocate for the protection of property rights, to assist in providing Americans with safe and affordable housing, and to further the interest of residential and other real estate property ownership.