

# M|PACT<sup>SM</sup> SUMMIT

CONNECTING YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN THE REAL ESTATE FINANCE INDUSTRY

AUGUST 5 | WASHINGTON, DC

## Time

## Topics

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

**Breakfast**

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

**Opening Remarks & Ice Breaker**

Molly Skipper-Steele, Apprise by Walker & Dunlop

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

**Speaking with mPact: Mastering Public Speaking & Presentation Skills**

*This hands-on session is perfect for young professionals who want to feel more confident when speaking in front of others. We'll explore how to put together presentations that connect with people, keep your audience engaged, and handle those all-too-familiar nerves. With fun activities, helpful tips, and real-time feedback, you'll walk away with practical tools to speak clearly, confidently, and with your own unique style.*

**Speaker:**

Matthew VanFossen, Absolute Home Mortgage Corp

10:00 AM – 10:10 AM

**Break**

10:10 AM – 11:00 AM

**Listen Up: Understanding Before Responding**

*Want to sharpen your listening skills to become more effective, empathetic, and trusted colleagues? In this session we'll dive into real workplace scenarios where active listening makes a difference, navigating tough conversations, managing up, or working with cross-functional teams. You'll learn how to stay present, ask better questions, and respond in ways that build clarity and trust.*

**Moderator:**

David Sober, Indecomm Global Services

**Speakers:**

Saraya Ashley, HomeFree-USA

Christina Morrison, CPC Mortgage

Rosie Shehaan, SS&C

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Emotional Intelligence for Career Success**

*Success at work isn't just about skills, it's about how you manage yourself and relate to others. This session will provide you with the tools needed to build Emotional Intelligence to boost communication, teamwork, and leadership.*

**Moderator:**

Molly Skipper-Steele, Apprise by Walker & Dunlop

**Speakers:**

Ana Duron-Fleck, Armada Analytics

Stephanie Wiggins, PGIM

Jake Williams, CMB AMP, Lake Michigan Credit Union

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**12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**

**Lunch / Network Bingo**

**1:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

**Inside MBA: Meet the Teams, Find Your Place**

*Discover how you can engage across the Mortgage Bankers Association. Hear from staff across departments as they share how their teams support the industry and how mPact helps connect you to it all. There's something for everyone at MBA!*

**Panelists:**

Kelli Burke, VP, Commercial Real Estate Finance Policy & Strategic Industry Engagement

Monique Ellis, Associate Director, Residential Policy & Strategic Industry Engagement

Amber K. Lawrence, Vice President, Opportunity & Engagement

Erin Reilly, Associate Director, Legislative and Political Affairs

Kathy Ryan, AVP, Education Business Development

Ainsley Zimmer, Senior Specialist, State and Local Association Engagement

**1:30 PM – 2:30 PM**

**Quiet the Critic: Overcoming Imposter Syndrome with Confidence**

*This session helps you recognize your value and build lasting confidence. You'll explore what imposter syndrome is, how it shows up at work, and simple ways to shift your mindset. Through hands-on activities and group discussions, you'll learn tools to quiet your inner critic and show up with more confidence and authenticity.*

**Moderator:**

Jacky Salazar, MBA

**Speakers:**

Marcia Davies, MBA

**2:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Leading without a Title: Influence vs. Authority**

*You don't need a title to be a leader. This session explores how to lead through influence, not just authority. Learn how to build trust, inspire others, and make an impact, no matter your role.*

**Moderator:**

Victor Amoo, The Portland Group

**Speakers:**

Andrew Foster, KBRA

Rich Pardoe, M&T Realty Capital Corporation

Erika Ricci, Greystone

**3:30 PM – 3:40 PM**

**Break**

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**3:40 PM – 4:40 PM**

## **Building Trust and Rapport in the Workplace**

*Strong relationships are the foundation of a healthy and productive workplace. This workshop helps you develop the skills to build trust, connect with colleagues, and create a positive team culture.*

### **Moderator:**

Kayla Johnson, Greystone

### **Speakers:**

Matthew Hodson, CBRE

Cindy Ina, Freddie Mac

Amber Lawrence, MBA

**4:40 PM – 5:00 PM**

## **Closing Remarks**

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