



RBC ICCO BUSINESSWOMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Vivian Risi

Broker/President, Royal LePage Your Community Realty, Brokerage



Inspired by her vision of becoming a successful female entrepreneur- Vivian Risi founded Your Community Realty, Canada's #1* franchise for Royal LePage and #3 of all real estate brokerages in Canada**.

1974 marked her first year in the business as a real estate salesperson. Persevering through market challenges while raising a young family, Vivian quickly learned that creating success required hard work, persistence and a customer focused approach. Successfully helping her client base and putting their needs first is what earned her an award-winning Associate Broker status. In pursuit for more, Vivian followed her passions and decided to purchase and manage a small brokerage of 18 realtors in Richmond Hill. Leading by example of putting people need's first, Vivian transformed (grew) her brokerage from a small business to a market-dominating powerhouse.

Today, Vivian along with her family proudly offer Your Community Realty - 1000 realtors strong and 11 fully-serviced locations around the GTA.

Her passion for building stronger communities and her belief in people helping people, is at the forefront of everything she does. In addition to running her successful brokerage business, she dedicates her time, energy and resources to helping over 30+ charities and causes every year. Her work and philanthropic efforts have been recognized by various organizations - earning herself the Royal LePage Philanthropist of the Year award (2008), City of Vaughan Philanthropic Business Person of the Year award (2013), Richmond Hill Chamber of Commerce Mayors Award (2012), York Region Business Excellence award (2013) as well as the prestigious, YMCA Peace Medallion award (2009).

Vivian stands behind her brand promise "People come first - and it shows!"