



Press Release

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NextHome Nations Opens in Monmouth County New Jersey
Newest brokerage builds on more than 30 years of local expertise.

Pleasanton, CA — February 21st, 2025 — NextHome is proud to announce our newest addition to the franchise, **NextHome Nations**, located in Englishtown, New Jersey. The brokerage joins the growing NextHome franchise which currently has over 600 active office locations across the country.

Conveniently located in a rapidly growing borough in western Monmouth County, NextHome Nations serves clients throughout New Jersey.

With offices located at 510 US HWY 9 in Englishtown, NextHome Nations is a convenient meeting space where agents enjoy 3,000 square feet of conference rooms, individual offices, workstations, a kitchen, and reception area. Through unparalleled support, NextHome Nations agents provide expertise in all types of residential real estate, including property management.

NextHome Nations is co-owned by Michael Blasi and Darin Acccettulli. Michael is the Broker/Owner, and Darin is an Owner and Licensed Real Estate Agent. Together, this powerhouse duo offers more than three decades of real estate expertise and a commitment to unparalleled professionalism.

“Darin and I make a great team, and we both complement each other in so many ways,” Michael said. “We both love what we do, and that’s making people’s dreams come true. We are excited to share the NextHome difference with clients across New Jersey.”

For more than 30 years, Michael has been at the forefront of client-centered real estate service in New York and New Jersey. After obtaining his license in New York in the early 1990s, Michael built a reputation for professionalism and integrity. Throughout his career, Michael has preferred to work with independent, boutique brokerages because of his commitment to personalized service.

“Real estate is a fascinating job because you help people find their dreams,” Michael said. “It’s so rewarding working with families, young couples, and people who are just starting out. What’s even better is when I get to help multiple generations find their perfect home. Just recently, I had the privilege of working with the granddaughter of the first person I sold a house to.”

In 1995, Michael opened his own New York based brokerage - Sherlock Homes Realty. Over time, the office grew to 40 agents and expanded into New Jersey as Sherlock Homes Garden State Realty.

Michael’s commitment to quality real estate representation caught Darin’s attention and the two began working together.



Darin has been a real estate sales professional for 10 years. Prior to real estate, Darin was a chief operating officer in the health club industry and was a recording artist.

“I think the most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you realize what you were born to do,” Darin said. “I’ve always enjoyed lifting people up. I’ve always enjoyed helping people. And real estate is all about helping people. It’s the perfect fit for me.”

After excelling with various franchised brokerages, Darin joined Michael’s office.

“Michael is the kind of guy who lives by ‘God, family, country’ so you know he’s always going to do the right thing, no matter what,” Darin said. “You don’t find many people who stick to their principles no matter the circumstances, but that’s Michael. And that’s exactly the kind of person I want to surround myself with. It’s also the kind of brokerage we’re building—rooted in integrity, committed to doing right by people.”

Franchising was never on Michael’s radar, until his cousin introduced him to NextHome.

“I’m not a franchise guy, but NextHome seems like the best of the best,” Michael said. “This company is different. I knew NextHome had something that other franchises didn’t.”

Darin was impressed by the company’s exceptional systems.

“After many years leading health clubs, I know what great systems look like, and NextHome has great systems,” Darin said.

Today, NextHome Nations is elevating real estate service throughout New Jersey.

“We are a franchise with a mom-and-pop feel,” Michael said. “We work for you.”

Both Michael and Darin’s commitment to real estate, country, and community are evident in their volunteer service.

Michael brings extensive experience in real estate leadership, having served on various boards for more than two decades. He is a past president of the Staten Island Board of Realtors, and currently First Vice President of the Monmouth Ocean Regional Realtors.

Darin serves on New Jersey’s Old Bridge Township Council, representing Ward 2. He has served on various township committees and is active in community service and leadership.

Please join us in congratulating Michael and Darin on the opening of NextHome Nations in Englishtown, New Jersey!

Interested in being a part of the NextHome Real Estate Franchise? Contact VP of Sales Charis Moreno at Charis@NextHome.com.

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About NextHome, Inc.

NextHome, Inc. is an independently owned national franchisor with a focus on changing the way consumers work with local agents and shop for real estate online. Recently ranked as the No. 1 franchise in the country in owner satisfaction, the NextHome franchise has over 600 offices and nearly 6,000 members across the country. The company closed over 30,000 transactions in 2024 worth over \$11B in volume.

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