

## 2020 Women in Real Estate: Christine Verbitzki, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, Principal at GUND Partnership

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How have you been networking during the lockdown? I have enjoyed attending really interesting virtual presentations, coffee chats and workshops. The online format makes it so convenient to attend. With zero commute time it is easy to justify accepting invitations. The best sessions have the chat feature enabled so you can see who is attending and say "hi" or "can I call you after the presentation to catch up?"

What aspects of working from home have you enjoyed most? Networking online has been a pleasant surprise. Most of the other aspects of working from home have not been that enjoyable. I value and missed face-to-face time with my co-workers. Most surprising is that I missed my commute on public transportation. Commuting involved time walking outdoors and quiet time on the train to reflect on the day. I truly miss the bustle of the city.

What books, blogs, podcasts, resources or influencers would you recommend to women? At a conference in February I heard Gretchen Rubin speak about her new book "Four Tendencies: The Key to Better Habits." I have not had the chance to read this book but based on her thought-provoking talk, I think it would be an excellent read for women.

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