

HOME PURCHASE PROCESS

- Pre- Approval
- Offer Accepted
- Home Inspection
- Purchase & Sale Agreement Signed
- Mortgage application submitted/rate locked?
- Purchase Homeowners Insurance (if required)
- Mortgage Approval & Commitment Letter
- Clear to Close
- Closing



CHOOSING A TEAM

MORTGAGE PROVIDER

- Coordinates Team
- Provides Financing
- Helps establish affordability and comfort level
- Creative structure to achieve financial goals
- REALTOR
- **HOME INSPECTOR**
- Helps avoid Potential or unsuspected liabilities
- Protects against environmental and safety issues
- Helps Negotiate repairs



CHOOSING A TEAM

ATTORNEY

- Reviews Contract
- Negotiates Home Inspection Issues
- Monitors Contingencies
- Prepares for Closing
- Advises on Title Insurance Coverage

INSURANCE AGENT

- Insures Property
- Addresses other needs such as Life Insurance



DOWN PAYMENT / SAVINGS HISTORY

- Minimum Requirements
- Gifts or Grant Funds
- Reserve Requirements
- Private Mortgage Insurance

DEBT-TO-INCOME RATIOS

Total monthly housing expense consists of:

- Principal and Interest Payment
- Private Mortgage Insurance (If applicable)
- Real Estate Taxes

Homeowners Insurance and/or Condo Fee

TOTAL MONTHLY HOUSING EXPENSE DIVIDED BY GROSS MONTHLY INCOME = HOUSING EXPENSE RATIO



DEBT-TO-INCOME RATIOS

TOTAL MONTHLY DEBT INCLUDES:

- Total Monthly Housing Expense
- Monthly Installment Loans (Car Loans, Student Loans)
- Outstanding Credit Card Debt
- Child Support/Alimony

TOTAL MONTHLY DEBT *DIVIDED BY*GROSS MONTHLY INCOME = TOTAL DEBT RATIO



EXAMPLE OF RATIO CALCULATION

HOUSING RATIO

Principal & Interest	\$948
Homeowners Insurance	\$50
Real Estate Taxes	\$170
PMI	\$73
Total	\$1,241

$$$1,241 \div $4,800 = 26\%$$

TOTAL DEBT RATIO

Housing Expense	\$1,241
Car Loan	\$160
Student Loan	\$45
Credit Cards	\$95
Total	\$1,541

$$$1,541 \div $4,800 = 32\%$$



CREDIT HISTORY

- Good Payment History
- Charge-Offs / Collection Accounts
- Overall Pattern
- Alternatives to Conventional Credit
- www.annualcreditreport.com



EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Job Stability
- Employment Gaps
- Seasonal Labor
- Self-Employment



OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME

- Child Support/ Alimony
- Bonuses
- Commissions
- Overtime
- Rental Income



PROPERTY APPRAISAL (NOT A HOME INSPECTION)

- Licensed Appraiser
- Value Determined by Comparable Home Sales in the Area



COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH MORTGAGES

- Application Fee
 - \$425 Single Family/Condo
 - \$450 FHA
 - \$550 Multi Family
- Legal Fees
- > Title Insurance
 - Lender's Title Insurance
 - Owner's Title Insurance
- Plot Plan



COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH MORTGAGES

- Municipal Lien Certificate
- Recording Fees
- Mortgage Insurance (if applicable)
- Pre-paid Items
- Real Estate Tax Escrow
- Homeowners Insurance Escrow
- Homeowners Insurance Premium
- Pre-paid Mortgage Interest



LOAN TO VALUE

- Compares the loan amount to the appraised value or the sales price, whichever is less
- Shows how much equity you have in the property
- If your LTV is higher than 80%, you will need Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI)
- Example:

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$100,000 Purchase Price
$5,000 Down = $95,000 Loan Amount
LTV=95%
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CASH TO CLOSE

- Closing costs are over and above the down payment
- Closing costs run from 2%-5% of the loan amount
- Pre-paid items are separate from closing costs and may run an additional \$1,000 - \$3,000



CLOSING

- Set up a time and place with the closing attorney
- Get a final figure for cash required to close from attorney
- Bring cashier's check to the closing
- Sign documents and get keys!





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