

Buying A Home

a checklist to kick start your home buying journey



Budget: _____

Goal Date: _____

Research

- ☐ Check out different mortgage loans, and see which ones you qualify for.
- ☐ Make sure to get many different quotes, so you can know all of your options.
- ☐ Research neighborhoods! Make sure to visit different areas, look up statistics and go with a place you can see yourself staying at for more than five years.

Gather Paperwork and Information

- ☐ Make sure to obtain your credit report, and check all three bureaus for inaccuracies or errors.
- ☐ Get a folder to keep all of your information together, gather tax returns, pay stubs and bank statements.

Get A Real Estate Agent

- ☐ While agents might not be for everyone, it's good to have someone to answer your questions and help you navigate buying a home successfully.
- ☐ Ask around to friends and family on who they used and recommend.

Make Lists

- ☐ Create lists for things like cleaning supplies, home essentials, and your first grocery shop for stocking up your new home.
- ☐ Separate these lists into what you need, what you want and what is a future goal for what you want in your home.

Start Hunting!

- ☐ Create accounts on house hunting websites.
- ☐ Ask your agent to schedule private showings and check out open houses.