

FHA LOANS

What you need to know
before you apply:



Credit Score Requirements

- ✓ Minimum Score: 500
- ✓ 580 + = Eligibility for 3.5% down payment
- ✓ 500-579 = 10% down payment typically required

Down Payment

- ✓ 3.5% with 580+ credit score
- ✓ 10% with 500-579 credit score

Debt-to-Income (DTI) Ratio

- ✓ Should be 43% or less
- ✓ This means no more than 43% of your monthly income goes toward debt payments (including your new mortgage)

Property Eligibility

- ✓ Must be a primary residence
- ✓ Investment or vacation properties do not qualify

Property Standards

- ✓ The home must meet HUD safety and livability standards
- ✓ An FHA appraisal is required

Mortgage Insurance

- ✓ Upfront Mortgage Insurance Premium (MIP)
- ✓ Annual MIP added to monthly payments

Loan Limits

- ✓ Varies by location
- ✓ \$524,225 - \$1,209,750 for single-family homes in high-cost areas (per Bankrate)

Ready to take the next step toward homeownership?

Understanding FHA loans is the first step in making smarter, more affordable choices!



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