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Program Summary

The MyHome Assistance Program (MyHome) is a deferred payment, simple interest rate subordinate loan that may only be used with a CalHFA first mortgage. Your low to moderate income first-time homebuyer can use this loan for down payment and/or closing cost assistance. The MyHome loan provides up to 3% of the sales price or appraised value of the property, whichever is less, and must be recorded in second lien position.

CalHFA allows qualified homebuyers to layer other down payment assistance loans or grants to maximize affordability.

Participating Lenders

This program is only available through a CalHFA-approved lender.

Brokers must work through a CalHFA-approved wholesale lender to process your CalHFA loan.

Eligible buyers

This program is for first-time homebuyers purchasing an owner-occupied property anywhere in California.

Eligibility

Borrower Requirements

Each borrower must:

- Be a first-time homebuyer
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien or qualified alien
- Meet credit, income and loan requirements of CalHFA’s first mortgage loan program, the CalHFA-approved lender and the mortgage insurer/guarantor

First-Time Homebuyer Definition

To qualify for the MyHome loan program, all borrowers, including co-borrowers must reside in the home and meet the definition of a first-time homebuyer.

For CalHFA purposes a first-time homebuyer is a borrower who has not had an ownership interest in any principal residence during the previous three years.

Owner Occupancy

- All borrowers must occupy the property as their primary residence within sixty (60) days of closing
- Non-occupant co-borrowers are not allowed

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Eligibility (cont.)

- Non-occupant co-signors are not allowed on CalHFA Conventional nor CalPLUS Conventional first mortgages
- Non-occupant co-signors are allowed on CalHFA FHA, CalPLUS FHA or Cal-EEM + Grant per FHA first mortgage guidelines and cannot occupy the property, be on the purchase agreement, be on title or have a vested interest in the property

Property Requirements

Property must meet the requirements of the applicable CalHFA first mortgage. Please refer to CalHFA first mortgage program handbooks for full details.

Income & Sales Price Limits

The following reference materials disclose income and sales price limits by county:

- Income Limits (w/FHA)
- Income Limits (w/Conventional)
- Sales Price Limits

Underwriting & Compliance

Term

The term of the MyHome matches the term of the CalHFA first mortgage not to exceed thirty (30) years. Payments on MyHome are deferred for the life of the first loan. MyHome is due and payable when certain events occur. See “Repayment” section.

Maximum Loan Amount

Amount not to exceed 3% of the sales price or appraised value, whichever is less.

When the applicable government insurer/guarantor requires multiple appraisals, CalHFA will base the MyHome loan amount on the lesser of the sales price or lowest appraised value.

LTV and CLTV

Loan-to-Value (LTV) to follow the applicable mortgage insurer/guarantor investor guidelines and the applicable CalHFA first mortgage underwriting guidelines. Maximum Combined Loan-to-Value (CLTV) cannot exceed 105%.

Income Requirements

Lenders are required to calculate income to qualify borrower(s) for loan approval using investor guidelines. CalHFA will recalculate the borrower’s income pursuant to tax compliance. Watch our training videos for assistance with Income Calculations.

Qualifying Income vs. Tax Compliance Income

Qualifying income is the income used by lender to determine that the borrowers have the ability to meet their monthly obligation. Lender will continue to follow guidelines from their internal underwriting, the mortgage insurer, and this program handbook. This income may differ from the income used by CalHFA for tax compliance purposes. All sources of income must be used to determine program compliance income limits.

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Underwriting & Compliance (cont.)

Maximum Tax Compliance Income Limits

The income of all borrowers cannot exceed the published CalHFA income limits established for the county in which the property is located.

CalHFA will calculate family income for CalHFA program eligibility. “Family income” is defined as the annualized gross income of a mortgagor, and any other person who is expected to:

1. be liable on the mortgage
2. be vested on title; and
3. live in the residence being financed

Minimum Credit Score & Qualifying Ratios

Follow the guidelines in the applicable CalHFA first mortgage program handbook for minimum credit score requirements and maximum total Debt-to-Income ratio requirements.

Fees

Lender may charge a maximum total processing fee of $250

Reservations, Delivery Timeframes & Extensions

Reservations:

• Follow the applicable CalHFA first mortgage loan program handbook
• A sales contract must be executed prior to reservation
• Lender must reserve MyHome with a CalHFA first mortgage using the CalHFA Mortgage Access System (MAS) prior to loan submission
• All MyHome loans will have the same rate lock, delivery and expiration date as the CalHFA first mortgage loan

Delivery Timeframes:

• All loans must be approved, closed, delivered and purchased by CalHFA prior to the reservation expiration date
• All MyHome loans must follow the applicable CalHFA first mortgage loan program handbook

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Reservations, Delivery Timeframes & Extensions (cont.)

- Reservation and rate lock period will run without interruption
- Rate lock expiration will supersede the reservation expiration date

Extensions:

- All loans must be approved, closed, delivered and purchased by CalHFA prior to the reservation expiration date
- Lender must request extension(s) via email (ratelocks@calhfa.ca.gov) from CalHFA’s Secondary Marketing Unit prior to expiration of the existing rate lock
- All MyHome loans will automatically be extended when the first mortgage is extended
- Any MyHome which has funded, but has not been delivered to CalHFA and or purchased prior to the reservation expiration may be extended:
  - CalHFA offers extensions in 15 day increments up to a maximum of 60 days from the original expiration date

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- All extensions are subject to the following:
  - Extension fees will be net funded at the time of purchase by CalHFA
  - New Preliminary Title Report/Property Profile showing no additional recorded loans since loan closing
  - Lender, not the borrower, shall pay for all costs associated with the Subordinate loan extension fee, including the extension fee and new Preliminary Title Report
  - The first mortgage payment history showing the loan as current with no past delinquencies

Repayment

Repayment of the principal and interest on the subordinate loan shall be due and payable at the earliest of the following events:

- Transfer of title
- Sale of the property*
- Payoff of the first loan

- Refinance of the first loan, unless the MyHome is subordinated
- The formal filing and recording of a Notice of Default (unless rescinded)

*MyHome loans behind an FHA first mortgage may be assumed or paid off when the first mortgage is assumed
Loan Submission Forms

Checklist

The lender must upload to CalHFA’s MAS a fully approved loan package per CalHFA’s Loan Submission Checklist for program policy, compliance review and desktop underwriting validation.

Subordinate Loan Submission

The following subordinate loan origination forms will be needed for loan submission to CalHFA:

- CalHFA Borrower Affidavit (for non-MRB loans)
- Tax Return Affidavit

Post-Closing Loan Delivery & Purchase

- All CalHFA MyHome loans are to be funded, delivered and purchased by CalHFA concurrently with first mortgage
- CalHFA subordinate loan purchase packages are to be sent electronically through MAS
  - Use the Loan Purchase Checklist to ensure you are submitting a complete and accurate package
- Loan documents are to be drawn in the lender’s name
  - Note to be endorsed to CalHFA
  - MERS Deed of Trust must be assigned to CalHFA
    - Loans are to be transferred via Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems (MERS)
    - Register via MERS:
      - Investor: 1000645 California Housing Finance Agency
      - Servicer: 1000645 California Housing Finance Agency
- Loss Payee:
  - California Housing Finance Agency
  Its successor and or assigns
  Single Family Servicing – MS 980
  500 Capitol Mall, Suite 400
  Sacramento, CA 95814

MyHome Lien Position:

The MyHome must be in second lien position.

All CalHFA First Loans

- Notes are to be endorsed to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
- Deed of Trust to be assigned to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
  - Loans are to be registered via Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems (MERS)
- CalHFA closed loan files are to be sent electronically to the master servicer via the Lakeview Correspondent Lending website within ten (10) business days

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Post-Closing Loan Delivery & Purchase (cont.)

- Logon link will be in the top right section of the website
- Loss Payee Clause:
  LoanCare, LLC
  ISAOA/ATIMA
  PO Box 202049
  Florence, SC 29502-2049

CalHFA MCC Tax Credit Closing Package(s)
- All final Closing Packages for the MCC application and documents should be submitted to the MCC Program Administrator at:
  eHousingPlus
  3050 Universal Blvd., Ste. 190
  Weston, FL 33331
  954.217.0817

Loan Purchase Submission Forms

Checklist

Use the Subordinate Loan Purchase Checklist to ensure you are submitting a complete and accurate package.

Subordinate Post-Closing Loan Delivery & Purchase

The following Subordinate Loan Purchase forms will also be needed for loan submission to CalHFA:

The following Loan Purchase forms will also be needed for loan submission to CalHFA:

Use when combined with CalHFA Conventional or CalPLUS Conventional first mortgage programs

1. MyHome (Conventional only) Deed of Trust
2. MyHome (Conventional only) Promissory Note

Use when combined with all CalHFA first mortgage programs

1. MSV Part II - Subordinate
2. Allonge to CalHFA (if applicable)
3. Assignment of Deed of Trust to CalHFA
4. Modification of Permanent Deed of Trust (if applicable)
5. MSV Part II - Addendum (Purchase Submittal and Lender Certification) (if applicable)
Questions

Questions regarding the MyHome loan program should be directed to CalHFA-approved lenders or CalHFA's Single Family Lending Division at:

California Housing Finance Agency
Single Family Lending – MS 300
P.O. Box 4034
Sacramento, CA 95812-4034
Phone: 877.922.5432
Email: sf lending@calhfa.ca.gov

Sales Tools and Marketing Materials

1. FHA Program Matrix
2. Conventional Program Matrix
3. Scenario Calculator
4. Loan Submission, Review and Purchase Flow Chart for FHA
5. Loan Submission, Review and Purchase Flow Chart for Conventional
6. MyHome Flyer
7. MyHome Fillable Flyer
8. MyHome Spanish Flyer
9. MyHome Spanish Fillable Flyer
10. Lending Heroes Flyer
11. Lending Heroes Fillable Flyer
12. Lending Heroes Spanish Flyer
13. Lending Heroes Spanish Fillable Flyer
14. Lending Heroes Korean Flyer
15. 5 Easy Steps to Buying Your First Home Flyer
16. 5 Easy Steps to Buying Your First Home Spanish Flyer
17. CalHFA and Listing Agents: a Great Team! Flyer
18. 5 Tips for CalHFA Doc Draw and Closing Flyer