

AN INCLUSIVE APPROACH TO MORTGAGE LENDING

Honor Credit Union





Our Speaker from Honor Credit Union



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About Honor Credit Union

- Berrien Springs, MI
- Approx. \$1.7B in assets
- Over 111,000 members
- 430 FTEs
- 29 branches



We are more than a bank, and you are more than a customer. All of our Members are also our owners.

We're Local

Like you, our home is in Michigan and with 28 Member Centers to choose from, your neighbors are our neighbors.

We're Part of Our Communities

We support local businesses, schools, and charitable organizations to encourage opportunity and growth in the places we live.





The Challenge/Opportunity

- The gap between black and white homeownership is the widest it's been in a decade - National Association of Realtors data shows Black American home ownership is 44% compared to 72.7% for white Americans
- Affordability is challenging for **most** first-time homebuyers
- 47% of potential FTHB's (ages 25-45) perceive lack of knowledge regarding the homebuying process as a barrier*

*2021 & 2023 Freddie Mac Consumer Research







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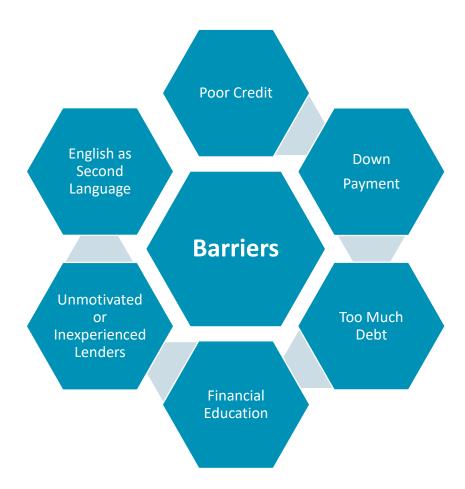
Increasingly, cooperatives are recognizing the importance of home ownership and focusing on **making mortgages more inclusive**

Credit Unions recognize the need to be a trusted resource for homebuyers



Honor's Approach

- Identify an area of opportunity
- Tailor a new program
- Piggyback onto our existing home loan options



We've got to create a sense of belonging for all our membership



A Multi-Pronged Approach to Down Payment Assistance

We want to help ease the burden of coming up with a down payment for a mortgage when you're buying a house. We have several grant opportunities, along with other resources and tips to help make your first home, or dream home, a reality.

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Assistance Options

- HomeBoost Down Payment Assistance program to assist eligible first-time homebuyers with \$15,000 in down payment assistance
- The Michigan First-Time Home Buyer Savings Account Program allows homebuyers to contribute and withdraw from an account tax-free
- Homeownership Opportunities Program (HOP) is a grant assistance program to help qualifying first-time buyers with down payment and closing costs up to \$10,000





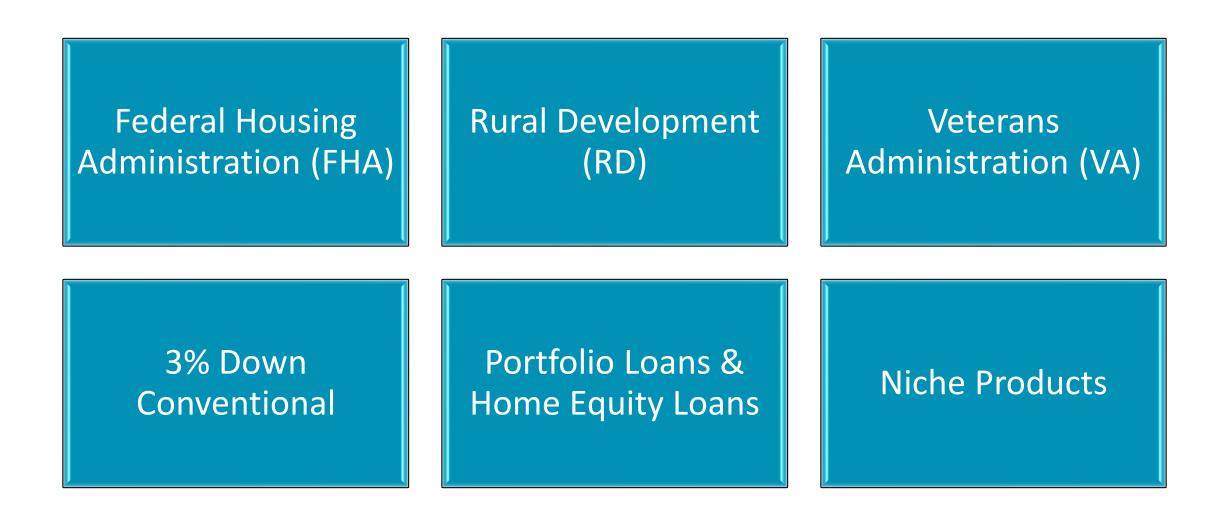
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- Homeownership Opportunity Program (HOP)
- Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)
- Neighborhood Housing Organizations
- Employer Down Payment Assistance
- Native American Housing Assistance
- HomeBoost Minority Down Payment Assistance
- \$2,500 credit very low-income buyers (VLIP)





Offering the Best Product for the Individual





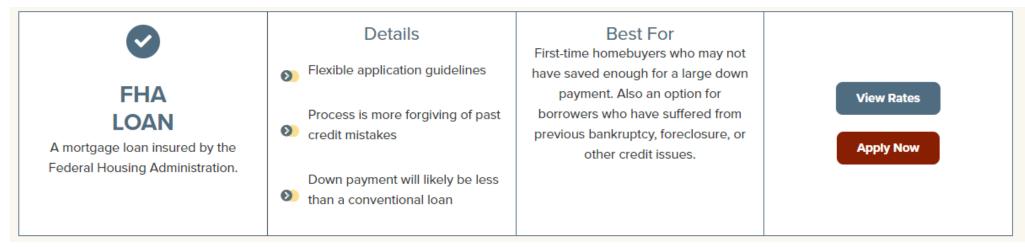
"Rural" Applies to More Members Than You Might Think



- Covers large geographic areas and income levels
- In some areas, "moderate" includes up to \$121,000 annually for a family of five or up to \$91,000 for a couple.
- Home builders often build in areas that qualify for rural development yet are located only 10- or 15-minutes from a populated city.



FHA is for More Than Only First Time Homebuyers



- Commonly referred to by consumers as First Time Homebuyer product
- Does not have geographical limits like RD
- 3.5% downpayment
- Good option for prior bankruptcy, foreclosure, or other credit issues



Offering Niche Products to Better Serve Members





Opportunities

Identify Area of Focus

- HMDA Analysis
- Who is your member? Community demographics

3rd Party Lenders

- Unique Products
- Limited Expertise or Resources

Training Plan

- Financial Wellness
- Loan Products
- Down Payment Assistance

Marketing

- Targeted
- Ahead of Program Timelines

Participate: Financial Education & Outreach Join: Boards, Committees, Housing Meetings & Events



Q&A Discussion Period





THANK YOU FOR WATCHING



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