

# **SEARCHING FOR HOUSING IN DC?**



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# **First-Time Home Buyer Programs**

Home Purchase Assistance Program (HPAP)

**Who:** Individuals who meet income, credit and other requirements are eligible.

What: They can receive *up to \$80,000 in loans and up to \$4,000 in closing cost assistance* to help purchase their first

**How:** Visit the HPAP page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/home-purchase-assistance-program-hpap

### **Program for District Government Employees**

**Who:** District government employees employed in good standing for one year. Teachers, police officers, fire fighters, and emergency medical technicians are eligible at the time of hire.

What: They can receive *matching down payment funds up to* \$1,500 and a deferred loan of up to \$10,000 to help purchase their first home.

**How:** Visit the District Government Employees Assistance Housing Program (EAHP) page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/ employer-assisted-housing-program-eahp

### **Program for Unionized District Government Employees**

**Who:** District government employees covered by certain collective bargaining agreements are eligible.

What: They can receive \$3,000 to \$26,500 in down payment and closing cost assistance.

**How:** Visit the Negotiated Employee Assistance Housing Program (NEAHP) page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/negotiated-employee-assistance-home-purchase-program-neahp Visit the program page to learn how to apply through an approved community-based organization.

# **Housing Finders**

DC HousingSearch.org

http://www.dchousingsearch.org

Inclusionary Zoning and Affordable Dwelling Units http://dhcd.dc.gov/service/affordable-dwelling-units

# **Home Repair Programs**

Home and Roof Repairs, and Accessibility Upgrades

**Who:** Individuals who meet income residency, credit and other requirements are eligible.

What: They can apply for loans or grants ranging from \$15,000 to \$75,000.

**How:** Visit the Single Family Residential Rehabilitation Program page at dhcd.dc.gov/SFRRP or contact one of the Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) at http://dhcd.dc.gov/node/1050852

### **Protection from Lead Paint Health Hazards**

Who: Families who meet income criteria are eligible.

**What:** They can receive grants to finance the removal of leadbased paint hazards in their homes and related renovation costs.

**How:** Visit the Lead Safe Washington page at http://dhcd.dc.gov/page/lsw-apply

### Aging in Place and Home Accessibility Upgrades

**Who:** Older adults and disabled individuals who meet income criteria are eligible.

**What:** They can receive *up to \$10,000* in grants for home modifications that promote aging in place and/or improve home accessibility.

**How:** Contact the Safe at Home Program, (202) 638-0050, safeathome@homecarepartners.org; funded by DHCD and the DC Office on Aging (DCOA), 500 K Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.



### **DC Housing Finance Agency**

815 Florida Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20001 (202) 777-1600 dchfa.org

### **Apartment Finder**

http://www.dchfa.org/DCHFAHome/ApartmentsforRent/tabid/200/Default.aspx

### **Home Purchase Loans and Down Payment Assistance**

**Who:** Borrowers with a maximum income of \$131,040 and who meet credit and other requirements are eligible.

**What:** Can qualify for a number of mortgage products, including down payment assistance loans. Homebuyer education is required for some mortgage loan products.

How: Visit DC Open Doors at http://dcopensdoors.com

### **Foreclosure Prevention**

**Who:** District homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortgage payments due to unemployment or under employment and meet certain other criteria.

What: Can receive *Lifeline Assistance*: one-time payment of up to six months mortgage delinquency; *Mortgage Assistance*: 24 months of mortgage payment assistance (up to \$38,400) or *Restore Assistance*: for the recently employed, a one-time payment of up to \$38,400 to "catch-up" mortgage payments.

**How:** Visit the Homesaver Phase I Program at https://www.homesaverdc.org

# **Help with Delinquent Property Taxes**

**Who:** District homeowners who have fallen behind on their property taxes and are at risk of foreclosure or tax sale due to delinquent real property tax. They must meet income and certain other criteria.

**What:** Can receive one-time assistance of up to \$38,400.

How: Visit the Homesaver Phase II Program at

https://www.homesaverdc.org

#### **DC Housing Authority**

1133 North Capitol Street NE, Washington, DC 20002 (202) 535-1000 dcha.org

# **Rent Payment Assistance**

**Who:** Low- and moderate-income residents who meet certain criteria are eligible.

**What:** Participants pay a portion of their rent based on a percentage of the family's income (on average about 30 percent), and DCHA pays the rest directly to the landlord.

 $\textbf{How:} \ \textbf{Visit the Housing Choice Voucher Program page at} \\$ 

http://dchousing.org/topic.aspx?topid=2 and http://dchousing.org/doc.aspx?docid=145
There is a waiting list that is currently closed

### **DC Housing Authority (continued)**

# **Public Housing**

**Who:** Very low-income families, seniors and disabled persons who meet certain income criteria are eligible.

**What:** They can receive financial assistance to live in safe, well maintained and affordable rental homes. Priority is given to those who are in greatest need.

**How:** Visit the Public Housing page at http://dchousing.org/topic.aspx?topid=3 and http://dchousing.org/doc.aspx?docid=145
There is a waiting list that is currently closed.

### **Department of Human Services**

64 New York Avenue NE, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20002 (202) 671-4200 dhs.dc.gov

### **Homeless and Homeless Prevention Services**

**Who:** Individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.

**What:** They can receive emergency, temporary, transitional and other services to help them transition into or maintain permanent affordable housing.

**How:** Visit http://dhs.dc.gov/service/homeless-and-homeless-prevention-services to get details on the list of available services

### Office of the Tenant Advocate

2000 14th Street NW, Suite 300 N Washington, DC 20009 (202) 719-6560 ota.dc.gov

## **Emergency Housing**

**Who:** Rental housing tenants displaced by fires, floods, or government closures.

**What:** They can receive certain emergency housing and relocation expenses (for example, hotel accommodations and financial assistance).

**How:** Visit http://ota.dc.gov/service/emergency-housing or call (202) 719-6560

# **Housing Assistance and Community Service**

**Who:** Rental housing tenants who need assistance in landlord disputes or legal matters.

**What:** They can receive advice on resolving disputes with landlords, legal issues, tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities, as well as legal and technical assistance.

**How:** Visit http://ota.dc.gov/service/ota-housing-assistance-and-community-service or call (202) 719-6560

