



Your One-on-One Counseling Appointment Checklist

To better serve you, please be able to provide the following documentation at your scheduled appointment. *ALL these items listed in this section are <u>required</u>.*

| | Items Needed* | Supporting Documents |
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| | Photo ID | Government Issued ID, Driver License or Passport |
| W | Income Documents | Recent 1 month Pay Stubs — Pension — Alimony — Child Support — Social Security — SSI — Unemployment — Self-Employment Profit & Loss Statement |
| | Credit Report Fee | \$30 Individual Report \$60 Joint Reports |
| | Tax Returns & W2's (or 1099) | Tax Years 2020 and 2021 |
| | Asset Verification (if applicable) | Stocks, bonds, real estate, life insurance policies |
| | Bank Statements | Last 60 days, checking and savings accounts – all pages |
| | Debt Verification | Loan statements, credit card statements, childcare, child support, etc. |
| | Bankruptcy Discharge Letter (if applicable) | Within the last 7 years |
| | Pre-Approval from Lender (if applicable) | |

^{*}Additional documents may be requested by your counselor

Please submit documents to one of the following:

Email:

docs@ercchelp.org

Office Drop-Off:

Experts Resource Community Center, Inc.

610 NW 183rd Street, Suite 202 Miami Gardens, FL 33169

Office hours: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

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Housing Professionals and Their Roles

| Professional | Role | |
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| Homeownership Counselor | Provides education and support to buyers throughout the process to help prepare them for successful homeownership. | |
| Real Estate Agent | Helps buyers find houses that fit their needs and budget. | |
| Lender | Provides the home loan. | |
| Housing Inspector | Checks the structure and mechanical parts of a property. | |
| Appraiser | Determines the market value of a home based on condition and selling price of comparable homes recently sold in the area. | |
| Attorney | Depending on the state, write the real estate contract, searches the title, conducts closings and settles disputes. | |
| Escrow Officer | Ensures that all documents are completed properly and collects fees and gives them to the appropriate parties for the closing meeting, where ownership is transferred from seller to buyer. | |
| Title Insurance Officer | Researches the history of a home's previous owners and provides a report of who owned a home. | |
| Surveyor | Checks the measurements of a property and the land around it. | |
| Insurance Agent | Provides homeowner's insurance policy to protect a home from casualty and liability. | |
| Mortgage Insurer | Provides insurance to cover the lender's loss if a borrower can't make the mortgage payments. | |
| Loan Servicer | Collects payments and manages late payments once the loan closes. | |
| Secondary Market | Buys the loan from lenders to provide money for future lending activities. | |



STEPS IN THE HOMEBUYING PROCESS

| 2. | Determine how much you can afford to spend |
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| 3. | Get loan pre-approved |
| 4. | Decide what kind of house you need |
| 5. | Shop for a home |
| 6. | Make an offer |
| 7. | Inspect the home |
| 8. | Apply for a loan |
| 9. | Get insurance and additional inspections |
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Close the loan

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Attend homebuyer education class

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