

Rhode Island Housing

Homebuyer Education



About Homebuyer Education

Homebuyer education classes are informational sessions, offered both by Rhode Island Housing and our community partners, to help first-time homebuyers better understand the process of buying and keeping a home. The classes cover a range of helpful topics, informing buyers about everything they need to know from initial pre-qualification to the final steps of closing on a loan. To best suit the needs of today's busy homebuyers, these classes are offered both in-person and online.

**Any first-time homebuyer purchasing a home with a Rhode Island Housing mortgage is required to complete a homebuyer education class.*

In-person Class

Taught by Rhode Island Housing employees, in-person homebuyer education classes are held at convenient locations throughout Rhode Island. Classes are open to all homebuyers interested in learning to become successful homeowners. Local community development corporations (CDCs) also offer classes, which are organized through the Housing Network of Rhode Island.

Benefits of our in-person class:

- Available free of charge
- Knowledgeable Rhode Island Housing professionals are available to answer all your questions
- Access to personal, local service and trusted resources once class is complete

Online Class

Looking for a class that works for your schedule? The online homebuyer education option may be the right choice for you. The online course features the same basic principles taught at the in-person class. The course is offered through eHome America, a nationally recognized housing partner, for a one-time fee of \$50.

Benefits of our online class:

- Available in both English and Spanish
- Animated videos cover all aspects of homebuying
- Completed at your pace in the comfort of your own home, office or anywhere you access the internet
- Access to Rhode Island Housing's knowledgeable professionals is just a phone call away

Homebuyer Education Participants are Saying...

"So many things [from the class] stuck with me and made me realize how important it is to be fiscally responsible and stay within your budget." - Alfred A.

"We enjoyed the class, which provided us with valuable information and insight." - Abby S.

"I learned a lot about the process of buying a house that I didn't know; little things that will be helpful for my next purchase." - Franklin R.

Learn More or Register for a Class

Visit us online at loans.rhodeislandhousing.org or email homebuyereducation@rhodeislandhousing.org to register for a class. For more information about classes offered by our community partners, contact the Housing Network of Rhode Island at **401-521-1461** or visit **housingnetworkri.org**.



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