

# Home First Government



<b>Description:</b>	A government insured or guaranteed Mortgage Loan option with low downpayment requirements and the ability to add Cash Assistance offered exclusively by NH Housing. This Mortgage Loan program is funded with Mortgage Revenue Bond (MRB) proceeds and requires compliance with certain IRS regulations.
<b>Loan Purpose:</b>	Purchase transactions, no refinances.
<b>Loan Type:</b>	Fixed-rate loans with 30-year terms. Purchase of primary residence.
<b>Interest Rate/Points:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Established daily and published on <a href="https://www.gonewhampshirehousing.com/rates">https://www.gonewhampshirehousing.com/rates</a>.</li> <li>Permanent rate buydown point options may be available, see daily rate sheet.</li> </ul>
<b>Occupancy:</b>	Must be owner occupied. No more than 15% of the residence can be used for a trade or business.
<b>Mortgage Insurance</b>	Mortgage must be insured/guaranteed through Federal Housing Administration (FHA), Veterans Administration (VA) or USDA Rural Development.
<b>Eligible Borrowers:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must not exceed Home First <a href="#">income and purchase price limits</a>.</li> <li>Must be a First-Time Homebuyer unless buying in a <a href="#">Targeted Community</a> or a Qualified Veteran (see MRB requirements section below).</li> <li>Non-occupant co-borrowers allowed per insurer/guarantor guidelines, must meet MRB requirements.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Properties:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One, two, three, and four unit properties, manufactured housing, units in condos and PUDs. Existing or new construction.</li> <li>2-4 Units: multifamily purchase must be at least 5 years old (at least 5 years before the mortgage is executed. The 5-year rule does not apply if purchasing a 2-Unit in a Targeted area).</li> <li>Condos/Condexes/PUDs: must meet insurer/guarantor eligibility. FHA -Regardless of the type of project review/approval type, lender is responsible to provide HUD9991 Condo Questionnaire and Manufactured housing must meet insurer/guarantor guidelines. Manufactured homes located on leasehold estates are not permitted.</li> <li>Max 10 acres – over 10 acres requires Land Use Borrower Affidavit</li> </ul>
<b>Minimum Owner Investment:</b>	Per insurer/guarantor guidelines Cash back at closing is allowed, per insurers requirements, not to exceed borrower contribution
<b>Maximum LTV/CLTV:</b>	Per insurer/guarantor guidelines.
<b>Homeownership Education/Counseling:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homebuyer education is required for at least 1 Borrower. New Hampshire Housing <a href="#">Online Education</a> is acceptable.</li> <li>2-4 units require Landlord and homebuyer education.</li> </ul>
<b>Income Calculation:</b>	Each loan file will have two income calculations: 1) For qualifying income, follow industry standard documentation and calculation requirements; and 2) For NH Housing Home First income use Gross Annual Compliance Income. Refer to the <a href="#">Home First Income Calculation Worksheet</a> for additional guidance.
<b>NH Housing Overlays</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>620 minimum FICO</li> <li>50% DTI unless 680+ FICO and approve/eligible.</li> <li>Private Well and septic must be sited on the property being financed.</li> <li>Wells: Water test required on private water sources. Testing must include Ecoli, Total Coliform, Lead, Nitrate and Nitrite. Any other primary parameters tested must pass. Condex requires test and hold harmless affidavit.</li> <li>Septic: Condex with shared septic needs acceptable test and hold harmless affidavit.</li> <li>Homebuyer education (refer to Education/Counseling section)</li> <li>Loan cannot be closed in a trust.</li> <li>Escrows for property taxes, hazard insurance, flood insurance (if applicable) and mortgage insurance are required for all loans.</li> <li>NH Housing does NOT participate in MERS</li> </ul>

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<b>Mortgage Revenue Bond Requirements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Income and Purchase Price Limits</a> as currently published by NH Housing.</li> <li>• Must be a First-Time Homebuyer* unless buying in a <a href="#">Targeted Community</a> or a qualified Veteran. A first-time homebuyer for the Home First mortgage program is defined as someone who has not had an ownership interest in (not listed on the deed of) their principal residence during the previous three years prior to the date the mortgage is executed. (Refer to section 4.1.1 of the Selling Guide for additional guidance)</li> </ul> <p>All loan file submission must include the following required documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Gross Annual Income Calculation Worksheet</a> (in accordance with Gross Annual Compliance Income)</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Loan Agreement and Certification</a></li> <li>○ <a href="#">Recapture Disclosure Statement</a></li> <li>○ <a href="#">Borrower Attestation</a></li> <li>○ <a href="#">Lender Closing Certification</a></li> <li>○ <a href="#">Affidavit of Veteran for Exception to FTHB requirement</a> (if required)</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Land Use Affidavit</a> (if property is greater than 10 acres)</li> </ul> <p>Loans may be subject to Recapture Tax. Refer to Selling Guide for additional information.</p>
<b>Underwriting/Ratios:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approve/Eligible</li> <li>• RD and FHA Refer/Eligible are acceptable with 620 minimum credit score</li> </ul>
<b>Well and Septic:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Municipal water and septic do not need tests.</li> <li>• Wells: Water test required on private water sources. Testing must include Ecoli, Total Coliform, Lead, Nitrate and Nitrite. Any other primary parameters tested must pass. Condex requires test + hold harmless affidavit. Private well (flow) and septic tests only need if determined necessary by the appraiser. Community Wells: NH Housing will need a copy of the most recent water test.</li> <li>• Septic: must be on the property being financed. Condex with shared septic needs acceptable test + hold harmless affidavit. Private well (flow) and septic tests only need if determined necessary by the appraiser</li> </ul>
<b>Homeowners Insurance:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Max deductible is the higher of \$1,000 or 1% of face amount of policy, also when allowed by the mortgage insurer we will take into consideration value of out-buildings.</li> <li>• CONDO: Must have master policy. If no walls in coverage and/or deductible is \$5,000 or more an HO6 will be required. We will escrow for the HO6 only if it is requested by the borrower.</li> </ul>
<b>Cash Assistance/Down payment Assistance (Home First +):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NH Housing provides either a \$5,000 or \$10,000 of Cash Assistance option based on program availability. Check daily <a href="#">rates</a> for availability and interest rates.</li> <li>• See Home First (+) Guide below.</li> </ul>
<b>Voucher Assisted Mortgage Option (VAMO):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This program is eligible for the VAMO program. Borrowers must receive an eligibility letter. Voucher benefit amount to be added to income only and cannot offset PITI. VAMO closing certification needs to be completed before closing. A home inspection, HQS inspection, and homebuyer education are required</li> </ul>
<b>Rehab Funds:</b>	Not allowed.
<b>Mortgage Credit Certificate:</b>	Not allowed.
<b>Stacking Lists:</b>	Click <a href="#">HERE</a> for the stacking list document.

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## Home First Government (+) Cash Assistance Mortgage

<b>Description:</b>	The "Cash Assistance Mortgage" is the second mortgage that relates to a Home First Government Plus, first mortgage.
<b>Amount:</b>	Cash Assistance is structured as a fixed \$10,000 or \$5,000. Check daily <a href="#">rates</a> for availability and interest rates.
<b>Loan Terms:</b>	Secured by a second mortgage. No interest. No periodic payments.  New Hampshire Housing will forgive the Borrower's obligation to repay the Cash Assistance five years after date of the Cash Assistance Mortgage unless during that five-year period, the Borrower: a) fully prepays or refinances the first mortgage; b) sells, transfers, or otherwise disposes of the Property; or c) files for bankruptcy, in which cases the Cash Assistance must be repaid to New Hampshire Housing.
<b>Use:</b>	The Cash Assistance can be used for downpayment, closing costs, prepaids
<b>Reservation:</b>	When a lender reserves a Home First Plus loan, there is an automatic reservation for the Cash Assistance Mortgage, meaning a separate reservation is not required.
<b>Application:</b>	No separate application is required for the Cash Assistance Mortgage.
<b>Lender / Document Preparer:</b>	The Participating Lender will serve as the Document Preparer on behalf of NH Housing in relation to the Cash Assistance Mortgage. New Hampshire Housing is the sole lender on the Cash Assistance Mortgage.
<b>Documents:</b>	New Hampshire Housing will provide the Document Preparer with required Cash Assistance Mortgage Documents and with instructions for creating, executing, and, when appropriate, recording the Cash Assistance Mortgage Documents.  The lender is responsible for supplying the <a href="#">Cash Assistance Program Disclosure</a> , Loan Estimate and Closing Disclosure.
<b>Funding Process:</b>	There are very specific mandatory steps for requesting and funding the Cash Assistance, which are stated in the Document Preparation Agreement and Selling Guide. Cash Assistance funds <b>must</b> be requested by 12pm two business days before closing using the <a href="#">Cash Assistance Mortgage Wire Transfer Request</a> .