# Guide to \$12,500 & \$15,000 Grant Programs

## **First-Time Homebuyers**

- Must not have owned a home within the last three years.
- \$12,500 maximum grant with a borrower minimum contribution of \$1,000.
- Household size is considered when determining total household income.
- Property must go to settlement within 30 days after grant is approved.
- Consumer Credit Counseling class must be completed by borrower.

### **Community Partners**

- Occupy the home as a primary residence.
- You do not have to be a first-time homebuyer
- \$15,000 maximum grant with a borrower minimum contribution of \$1,000.
- Fall into any of the categories below:
  - Current or retired law enforcement officers, educators, firefighters, health care workers, and other first responders;
  - Veterans and active-duty members of the military or their surviving spouse;
  - COVID-related essential workers



#### Q. What does the grant cover?

**A:** Down payment, closing costs, and principal reduction for the purchase or purchase/rehabilitation of an existing unit.

# Q. What are the eligibility requirements for the grant? 1

**A:** Occupy the property you wish to purchase, \$1,000 minimum contribution, complete homebuyer counseling class (FTHB grant only), income at or below 80% of the median income for the property's county (based on household size, five (5) year retention period.<sup>2</sup>

#### Q. Do I have to repay the grant?

A: No. The loan is forgivable if you own and reside in the property for the first five years. If you sell the home within the first five years, you must repay a portion of the grant.



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