Product Snapshot

Fannie Mae HomeReady™



The Fannie Mae HomeReady program offered by Plaza Home Mortgage® has a variety of options to help low to moderate income borrowers purchase or refinance their home, including flexible income sources and low down payment options.

Plaza also offers HomeReady loans in conjunction with HomeStyle® renovation loans. Refer to Plaza's HomeStyle program guidelines for renovation program details.

Fannie Mae Conforming Balance Fixed Rate					
Property Type	LTV	CLTV	Min Credit Score	Max DTI	
1-Unit	97% ¹	97%²	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI	
1-4 Units	95%	95%²	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI	
Co-Op ³	95%	N/A	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI	
Manufactured Housing ⁴	95%	95%	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI	

^{1.} LTV > 95% requirements:

- Rate/Term Refinance Transactions: Existing mortgage must be owned by Fannie Mae.
- · All borrowers must occupy the property.
- Manufactured Housing is not eligible > 95% LTV.
- 2. The CLTV ratio may exceed the limits stated in the matrices up to 105% only if the mortgage is part of a Community Seconds transaction.
- 3. Available in property states of CA, CT, DC, FL, IL, MD, NJ and NY.

Fannie Mae High Balance Fixed Rate						
Property Type	LTV	CLTV	Min Credit Score	Max DTI		
1-Unit	95%	95% ¹	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI		
Co-Op ³	95%	N/A	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI		
2-Units	85%	85% ¹	Per DU & MI	Per DU & MI		
3-4 Units	75%	75% ¹	Per DU	Per DU		

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	Product Parameters		
Appraisal	 Appraisal requirements per the final DU Underwriting Findings report and Fannie Mae Selling Guide. Texas Section 50(a)(6) and Section 50(f)(2) transactions are not eligible with a PIW. 		
Underwriting Method	DU Approve/Eligible.		
Occupancy Type	Primary residence only.		
Eligible Borrowers	U.S. citizens, permanent resident aliens, non-permanent resident aliens, or non-occupant owner.		
Minimum Credit Scores	 The minimum credit score is determined by DU. MI credit score requirements must also be met. 		
Loan Limits	Standard Conforming and High Balance loan limits. Max loan amount up to \$806,500 (\$1,209,750 for HI/AK) allowed for baseline conforming loan limit.		
Income Limits	In determining whether a mortgage is eligible under the borrower income limits, income from all of the borrowers who will be listed on the Mortgage Note must be counted, to the extent that the income is considered in evaluating creditworthiness for the mortgage loan. Income may not exceed 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) for the property's location (this includes properties in low-income census tracts). Fannie Mae's HomeReady Income Eligibility Lookup can be used to determine HomeReady income limits by census tract. The census tract can be found on the appraisal or by using the FFIEC Census Tract Lookup. DU will also provide income eligibility based on the property address input in DU.		
Income from Accessory Dwelling Units	Rental income from one-unit properties with an acceptable accessory unit is acceptable. An accessory unit is typically an additional living area independent of the primary dwelling unit, and includes a fully functioning kitchen and bathroom. Some examples may include a living area over a garage and basement units. Refer to Program Guidelines for complete details.		
Fewer Price Adjustments	 Fewer Price Adjustments than standard Fannie Mae® loans* Zero (0) price adjustments for most scenarios. Price adjustment cap does not apply to loan amount, property state, or LPMI adjustments 		
Geographic Restrictions	Hawaii: Properties in Lava Flow Zones 1 or 2 are not allowed.		

Homebuyer Education	Homeownership education is only required on purchase transactions when all buyers are first-time homebuyers.		
	Borrowers must complete a National Industry Standards (NIS) compliant course to satisfy the pre-purchase homeownership education requirements. Borrowers may choose one of the options listed below: • HomeView.		
	 The course is available free of charge to the borrower. Complete the online education program course provided on Fannie Mae's website. The borrower must complete all 7 course modules. Retain the certificate of course completion in the loan file. DU: Select Homebuyer Education complete in The Homebuyer Education Completion 		
	Indicator field in DU. • Framework		
	 Complete the online education program provided by Framework Homeownership LLC (Framework®). 		
	 DU: Select Homebuyer Education complete in The Homebuyer Education Completion Indicator field in DU. 		
	 One-on-one HUD-approved Counseling. Complete a one-on-one pre-purchase education counseling session from a HUD-approved non-profit counseling agency. HUD-approved agencies can be located on Fannie Mae's website. 		
	 A Certificate of Completion of Pre-purchase Housing Counseling (Fannie Mae Form 1017) must be completed and retained in the loan file. 		
	 Special Feature Code (SFC) 184 is required (must display on DU findings). 		
	 Community Second/DAP. If the loan is part of a Community Second/DAP transaction, and that program requires its own homeownership education course provided by a HUD- 		
	approved counseling agency, Plaza will accept the Certificate issued by HUD-approved		
	agency that provided the course.		
Max Financed Properties	Borrowers may not have an ownership interest in more than two financed residential properties, including the subject property, as of the Note Date.		
Mortgage Insurance	Lower than standard mortgage insurance coverage – 25% for LTVs above 90% to 97%		
Boarder Rental Income	Boarder income (rental payments from individuals who reside with the borrower) is acceptable		
	 in certain circumstances for both purchase and refinance transactions. Boarder is not obligated on the mortgage debt 		
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	Property must be a one-unit property		
	No more than 30% of total qualifying income can be boarder income		
	Boarder must have lived with and paid rent to the borrower for the last 12 months		
	 Boarder must provide appropriate documentation to demonstrate a history of shared residency (such as a copy of a driver's license, bill, or bank statement that shows the boarder's address as being the same as the borrower's address). 		
	Boarder must provide canceled checks to demonstrate the payment of rental payments to the borrower for:		
	o the last 12 months, or		
	 at least 9 of the most recent 12 months provided the rental income is averaged over a 12-month period 		
	Payment of rent by the boarder directly to a third party is not acceptable (payments must be made to the borrower directly)		
Temporary Buydowns	Temporary Buydowns are eligible subject to the following:		
	2-1 and 1-0 buydowns are offered		
	Purchase transactions only		
	 Qualify at the note rate Texas Section 50(a)(6) loans are ineligible 		
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	Interested Party Contribution (IPC) limits apply		
	 Seller paid buydowns should be disclosed in the purchase contract and must be 		
	provided to the appraiser with all appropriate financing data and IPCs for the subject		
	property o The amount and source of all IPCs must be submitted to DU as applicable		
	SFC 009 required		
	Buydown Agreement required and will print with Plaza loan docs		
	Plaza's Buydown Calculator can be used to estimate the buydown payment and total		
	contribution amount		

VLIP Credit

When at least one borrower is a First-Time Homebuyer, and the total qualifying income of all borrowers is less than or equal to 50% of the area median income, and the loan is a purchase transaction, the loan will qualify for a \$2,500 credit. **Note:** Loans funded before February 3, 2025, do not require a FTHB to qualify. Loans funded on or after February 3, 2025, require a FTHB to qualify.

- The credit may be applied to down payment and closing costs, including escrows and mortgage insurance premiums.
- The credit may be used to satisfy the 3% minimum contribution for all one-unit properties or for two- to four-unit properties with LTV less than or equal to 80%.
- For two- to four-unit properties with LTV greater than 80%, the credit may be applied to down payment after the 5% minimum contribution is met.
- DU: The \$2,500 credit should be reflected as a Grant asset on the application and in DU.
- Plaza will apply the credit through a lender credit at closing.
- Special Feature Code 884 must be selected in BREEZE.

Product Name	Product Code	Available Term in Months
HomeReady Conforming 15 Year Fixed	CF150HR	121-180
HomeReady Conforming 20 Year Fixed	CF200HR	181-240
HomeReady Conforming 30 Year Fixed	CF300HR	241-360
HomeReady High Balance 15 Year Fixed	CF150HRHB	121-180
HomeReady High Balance 20 Year Fixed	CF200HRHB	181-240
HomeReady High Balance 30 Year Fixed	CF300HRHB	241-360
HomeReady Conforming 30 Year Fixed w/2-1 Buydown	CF300HRBD21	360
HomeReady Conforming 30 Year Fixed w/1-0 Buydown	CF300HRBD10	360

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