



Interested in becoming a homeowner in the City of Milwaukee?

From buying a “fixer upper” to building a new home, the City of Milwaukee offers resources to help you purchase a home in one of Milwaukee’s great neighborhoods. Take a look!

RESOURCES FOR HOMEBUYERS

City Houses For Sale

The City of Milwaukee has homes for sale for buyers interested in purchasing a property for **homeownership**. Most properties are in need of repair and resources are available to assist buyers with repair costs. Properties are listed on milwaukee.gov/cityrealestate, as well as with local real estate brokers. **(414) 286-5730**

Historic Houses For Sale

If you love the scale, details and craftsmanship of a historic home and love to renovate, the City may have the perfect house for you. As a bonus, some of the homes listed have had extensive exterior repairs such as new roofs, chimneys and siding. These repairs will make the remaining renovations manageable and your home purchase more affordable. **(414) 286-5762**

Homebuyer Assistance Program

The City will provide up to a \$20,000 forgivable loan to qualified owner-occupant buyers of city-owned homes. Both financial and technical assistance are provided as part of the program. The City works with a number of lenders who can provide first mortgage loans to eligible potential homebuyers going through the program. **(414) 286-5610**

\$500 Roots Landscaping Incentive

The City offers a \$500 landscaping reimbursement for City-owned homes sold to owner-occupants. Landscaping includes flowers, sod, grass seed, bushes, fencing, miscellaneous or purchase of lawn care tools including lawnmowers, snowblowers, trimmers, tillers, shovels, rakes, etc. **(414) 286-5738**

Milwaukee Home Down Payment Assistance Program

Offers forgivable grants of up to \$7,000 to help you purchase your home. Learn more: milwaukee.gov/mhdpa

Homes MKE

The Homes MKE initiative allows for the renovation of vacant houses in the City’s inventory of tax-foreclosed residential properties and return them to productive use. This effort will be made possible thanks to the allocation of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). **(414) 286-5730**

Build a New Home with \$1 Lots & \$30,000 Forgivable Loans

Build your NEW home in one of the city’s premier subdivisions located in the heart of the city - close to downtown! Choose from Walnut Circle or Josey Heights subdivisions. Fully improved lots, including sewer, water, lighting and sidewalks. Shop and compare – affordable lot pricing means more house for your money! **(414) 286-5762**

HACM Homeownership Programs

The Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee offers homeownership opportunities for families living in their developments or participating in their Section 8 Program. In addition, the Housing Authority offers fully rehabilitated, “move in ready” homes for sale to any buyer. **(414) 286-5473**

Homeownership through Habitat for Humanity

First-time home buyers who live in subsidized or inadequate housing may qualify to purchase a house through Habitat for Humanity. A typical monthly mortgage payment is \$500 – \$700, and buyers must contribute hundreds of hours of labor on the construction of their own home and homes of their neighbors. **(414) 562-6100**

LBWN Turnkey Renovation Program

LBWN sells fully-renovated, energy-efficient houses available for sale in the Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park neighborhoods on the City’s near south side. These properties combine modern

conveniences with restoration of historic and architectural details. **(414) 383-9038 x2515**

Milwaukee Christian Center Housing Program

Milwaukee Christian Center’s community-based, affordable housing programs build reasonably priced housing that is sold to qualifying homeowners. **(414) 645-5350**

ACTS Housing Homeownership Program

ACTS helps families purchase and renovate homes, with a focus on vacant and foreclosed homes. This includes assistance in home selection, developing and executing a rehabilitation plan and putting together the financing needed for the project. **(414) 933-2215**

Take Root Milwaukee

Take Root Milwaukee (TRM) is a resource that connects people to local, low-cost and trustworthy organizations that can help them either buy a home or keep their home. TRM includes over 50 individuals and groups active in the home ownership sector such as housing counseling agencies, financial institutions, Realtors, local government, neighborhood organizations and other community partners – all working together to promote sustainable home ownership. **(414) 921-4149**

Homebuyer Counseling Agencies

Local non-profit homebuyer counseling agencies provide counseling on all aspects of home purchase, as well as resources (e.g., down payment assistance) for buying a home.

ACTS Housing (414) 933-2215

Housing Resources Inc. (414) 461-6330

United Community Center (414) 384-3100



For details and a list of other available housing resources in the community, visit: milwaukee.gov/housinghelp