

HOUSING COUNSELING AGENCIES

(with down payment assistance, when available)

If you wish to enroll in any of these classes please contact **Mechall Patterson**

mtpatterson@tarrantcounty.com

(817) 531-7643



Housing Channel
(817) 924-5091

NID Housing Counseling Agency
(817) 507-0670

(no down payment assistance funds at this time)

Housing Opportunities of Fort Worth
(817) 923-9192

CREDIT REPAIR CLASSES

For enrollment information for any of these classes please contact **Mechall Patterson**.

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Catholic Charities
(817) 534-0814

Center for Transforming Lives
(817) 332-6191

Housing Channel
(817) 924-5091

STEPS TO HOMEOWNERSHIP



1. Become a member of the Tarrant County FSS Program for at least 1 year.
2. Have a job for at least one year.*
3. Achieve a credit score of at least **640**.
4. Attend/complete a HUD approved Housing Counseling Program.
5. Save at least \$2,000.
6. Save or obtain *(via grant/down payment assistance, etc.)* a **3% down payment**.
7. Select a Real Estate Broker of your choice.
8. Choose a lender of your choice to get mortgage pre-approval.
9. Find an affordable home.
10. Close and move-in!

* Some exceptions apply to seniors and persons with disabilities.

Tarrant County staff can assist you in achieving all of the above.



Tarrant County Housing Assistance Office

Homeownership Resource & Reference Guide

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Tarrant County Housing Assistance Office

RESOURCES

Tarrant County Housing Assistance Office (TCHAO) provides the following services in assisting FSS participants to become first-time homeowners:

- Employment
- Education (GED/College)
- Job Training
- Credit Repair & Budgeting
- Referrals to:
 - Housing Counseling Agencies
 - Down payment assistance
 - Credit Repair
 - Real Estate Agents
 - Lenders

Please contact **Mechall Patterson** to access any of these services at mspatterson@tarrantcounty.com
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Although we do not make personal endorsements or recommendations, as a resource, if you wish, you may feel free to make direct contact with any of the resources listed in this brochure or any other professionals of your choice.

LENDERS



The following is a partial list of lenders that we have worked with or who have expressed an interest in working with families who wish to purchase a home with their Housing Choice Voucher (HCV). **You may always use a lender of your choice who is willing to work with the HCV program standards.**

Edward Stubbs
America Nationwide
(817) 655-3644

Stephanie Holbert
Texas Mortgage Banking
(817) 431-8618

Ruth Ann Dunham
Service First Mortgage
(682) 433-5140

REAL ESTATE AGENTS



The following real estate professionals have worked with participants receiving housing assistance.

- Leticia Gallegos - **Showcase Realty**
(817) 303-0123
- Al Martinez - **Pueblo Real Estate**
(817) 703-1415
- LaRose Lewellen – **Essence V. Real Estate**
(817) 528- 3907