

Product Snapshot

Fannie Mae HomeReadyTM

The Fannie Mae HomeReady program offered by Cardinal Financial 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. The information in this matrix may not highlight all requirements of the program and does not reduce or eliminate any requirements outlined in our guidelines. Guidelines are subject to change without notice.

This program may be combined with the Fannie Mae Manufactured Home (MH) Advantage and the Fannie Mae HomeStyle Renovation; refer to the <u>Special Program Considerations</u> section for details.

Primary Residence - Purchase and Rate and Term Refinance - Fixed & ARM				
Donat Tar	Fixed	ARM	Min Credit	May DTI ³
Property Type	LTV/CLTV ²	LTV/CLTV	Score⁴	Max DTI ³
1-Unit	97% ¹	95%	Greater of 580 or per MI	Per DU & MI
2-4 Units	95% ⁵	95% ⁵		
2-Unit High Balance	85%	85%	580	Per DU & MI
3-4 Unit High Balance	75%	75%		
Manufactured Home	95%	95%		

¹LTV, CLTV, and HCLTV Ratios Greater than 95%:

- At least one borrower on the loan must have a credit score
- Manufactured housing not permitted, unless MH Advantage
- High Balance and ARM not permitted
- For limited cash-out refinances, Fannie Mae must be the owner of the existing mortgage as evidenced by DU

⁵Excludes High LTV refinance

Program Parameters			
Acceptable Transaction Terms	Fixed Rate Conforming 10 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 10 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMA HomeReady		

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²The CLTV ratio may exceed the limits stated in the matrices up to 105% only if the subordinate lien is a Community Seconds® transaction

³ Maximum 50% DTI for properties located in West Virginia regardless of AUS approval

⁴For multiple borrowers, DU will use an average of each borrower's median credit score which may result in an AUS Accept for Scores below 620. For loans with one borrower, DU may still require a minimum Score of 620.

	 Conforming 15 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 15 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 20 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 20 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 25 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady Conforming 15 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady MH Advantage Conforming 15 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMA HomeReadyMH Advantage Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady MH Advantage Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady MH Advantage Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate - FNMA HomeReady MH Advantage Conforming 30 Year Fixed Rate High Balance - FNMAHomeReadyMH Advantage
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Eligible Transactions	 Purchase Limited Cash-out Refinance Refinance not eligible for temporary buydown
Loan Type	Fixed and ARM loans
Overlays	Refer to the Wholesale Lending Product Overlay Matrix for any applicable Cardinal Overlays
Price Adjustments	 Loan Level Pricing Adjusters (LLPAs) do not apply to first-time homebuyers at or below 100 percent of area median income (AMI) in most of the United States, and below 120 percent of AMI in high-cost areas

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Underwriting Method	 Price Adjustment cap does not apply to loan amount, property state, or LPMI adjustments Octane will automatically calculate eligibility Additional details are found here; Fannie Mae Loans must be underwritten by Desktop Underwriter (DU) Approve/Eligible Manual underwriting is not permitted. 		
Special Program Considerations	Program Details Eligibility Product Terms	Cardinal Financial Grant HomeReady The mortgage credit provides a \$2,500 credit for very low-income purchase borrowers (VLIP) that can be used for down payment and closing costs The credit may be used to satisfy the 3% minimum contribution for all loans secured by one-unit properties, or loans secured by two- to four-unit properties with LTV ratios less than or equal to 80% For loans secured by two- to four-unit properties with LTV ratios greater than 80%, the credit may be applied to down payment after the 5% minimum contribution is met Refer to the Handling a Fannie Mae HomeReady Purchase Credit document for guidance on determining eligibility and input into Octane. The loan must be an eligible HomeReady purchase loan The borrower(s) must have total qualifying income less than or equal to 50% of the applicable area median income (AMI) limit for the subject property's location Borrower is not required to be a first-time homebuyer for loans funding prior to February 14th, 2025. After this date, loans must include a first-time homebuyer to meet grant eligibility This credit will be effective for whole loans purchased ("Purchase Ready" status in Loan Delivery) through Feb. 28, 2026 and for loans delivered into MBS with issue dates through Feb. 1, 2026 CFGRANTHRVLI	
	The FNMA HomeReady loan may be combined with the following programs		

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Fannie Mae HomeReady (MH) Advantage			
Follow the more restric program guidelines:	Follow the more restrictive of the Fannie Mae HomeReady or the MH Advantage program guidelines:		
Program Snapshot	Third Party Origination Product Snapshot Fannie Mae Manufactured Home (MH) Advantage		
Product Terms	See <u>Acceptable Transaction Terms</u> above		
Fannie Mae HomeReady HomeStyle Renovation			
Follow the more restrictive of the Fannie Mae HomeReady or the Fannie Mae HomeSty Renovation program guidelines			
Program Snapshot	ot Third Party Origination Product Snapshot Fannie Mae HomeStyle Conventional		
Product Terms	Refer to the <u>Program Snapshot</u> above for terms		

Below is an overview of each program's attributes; the more restrictive of product guidelines must be applied when combining programs.

	HomeStyle Renovation	HomeReady	MH Advantage
Maximum LTV/CLTV 1-unit Fixed	97%	97%	97%
Maximum LTV/CLTV 1-unit ARM	95%	95%	-
Primary Residence	X	Х	X
Second Home	Х	-	X
Investment	Х	-	-
1-Unit	Х	Х	Х
2-Unit	Х	Х	-
3-Unit	X	Х	-
4-Unit	Х	Х	-
Purchase	Х	Х	Х
Rate/Term	Х	Х	Х

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Cash-out	-	-	Х
High Balance	X	X	X
Buydown Permitted	Х	Х	X
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Program Requirements		
Appraisal	Value Acceptance (Appraisal Waiver) is eligible unless subject transaction includes one of the following transaction types: Texas Equity Non Arms Length Transaction Manufactured Home Leasehold, community land trust or deed restriction Construction Conversion or Renovation Mortgage Appraisal Already Completed Multi Unit Effective Property Value million and greater Cooperative Purchase of REO property	
Assets	Cash-on-hand (allowed for 1-Unit properties only): Cash-on-hand is an acceptable source of funds for the borrower's down payment and/or funds for closing costs and/or prepaid items. Cannot be used for reserves. Refer to Program Guidelines for complete details.	
Borrower Eligibility	Eligible Borrowers U.S. citizens, permanent resident aliens Non-permanent resident aliens Non-occupant co-borrowers Borrower must meet the income limits of the property location See underwriting guidelines for applicable requirements	
Cooperatives	The following are not permitted with co-op share loans Subordinate financing Investment properties Cash-out refinances on second home properties Community Seconds Geographic Restrictions	
	 New York City, defined as: Boroughs of Bronx, Brooklyn, Staten Island, Manhattan, and Queens Counties of Nassau, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester New Jersey counties: Bergen Essex 	

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	 Hudson Middlesex Monmouth Morris Passaic Union Refer to the <u>Lending Guide Chapter 11 Condo, PUD and Cooperative Project Approval</u> for complete guidelines
Escrow Waivers	Refer to the <u>Company I Third-Party Origination Lock Policy</u> for guidance on Escrow/Impound Waivers
Gifts	Gift funds are allowed after the borrower's minimum contribution has been met.
Homebuyer Education	If all occupying borrowers are first-time homebuyers*, then at least one borrower is required to take homeownership education, regardless of LTV Fannie Mae will permit any qualified third-party provider, independent of the lender, to administer homeownership education. The third-party provider's content must be aligned with the National Industry Standards (NIS) for Homeownership Education and Counseling or with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Counseling Program, or provided by a HUD-approved counseling agency Refer to Fannie Mae's Homeownership Education page for additional information Note: Framework will remain an acceptable homeownership education provider Homeownership education certificate must be retained in the mortgage file *A first-time homebuyer is one who has had no ownership (sole or joint) in a residential real estate property during the three-year period preceding the Note date The following property ownership scenarios are considered ownership in residential real estate and therefore would disqualify a borrower as a first-time home buyer when one or more of the following apply: Ownership in shares of a cooperative; Ownership in a property in the capacity of a cosignor or non-occupant; Ownership in residential real estate that was inherited Ownership in one or more of the following property types is not classified as residential real estate: Multifamily property consisting of more than four units (5 or more units); Ownership of a vacant lot (residential or commercial) whether financed or owned free and clear; Ownership in a timeshare; Commercial real estate; Ownership of a manufactured home on a leasehold estate not titled as real property (chattel lien on the home)
	Boarder Income
Income	Boarder Income (rental payments from individuals who reside with the borrower) is acceptable in certain circumstances: • Boarder is not obligated on the mortgage debt. • Boarder may or may not be related to the borrower. • Property must be a 1-Unit property.

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- 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 or bank statements to demonstrate the
 payment of rental payments to the borrower for 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).

Income from Accessory Dwelling Units

- Rental income from 1-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.
- Lenders may obtain a Fannie Mae Single-Family Comparable Rent Schedule (Form 1007) from the appraiser.
- Refer to Program Guidelines for complete details.

Qualifying income (income from all borrowers listed on the Note) is used to determine income eligibility limits

- If an eligible type of income is being used as a source for qualifying income, it should be calculated in accordance with the applicable Fannie Mae guidelines for that income type.
- It is not permissible to use only a "portion" or "reduced amount" of that income for determination of HomeReady eligibility as it relates to the AMI limits
- If the income is determined to be a stable source of income and used for qualifying purposes, the full amount of the income determined for qualifying income would be considered in the AMI limitation.
- Not ALL sources of borrower income are required to be included in the HomeReady eligibility determination. But if it is being used, the above guidance must be followed.
 - For example, if the borrower can qualify for the mortgage with their base pay and not their overtime income, you may use only the base pay to determine HomeReady eligibility.
- Fannie Mae's <u>HomeReady Income Eligibility Lookup</u> must 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
- Income may not exceed 80% of Area Median Income for properties on all census tracts
- DU will provide income eligibility based on the property address input in DU.
- AMIs will be applied in DU based on the casefile creation date. DU will apply 2025 limits to new DU loan casefiles created on or after May 18th, 2025. Loan casefiles created prior to May 18, 2025 will continue to use 2024 limits
- To align more closely with the DU implementation, and to ensure loans are not affected by AMI limits that decreased in 2025, Fannie Mae will use the Application Received Date provided in Loan Delivery (Sort ID 224) to determine

Income Limits

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	which AMI limit to use when evaluating eligibility waiver. Loans with Application Received Dates prior to May 18 will use the 2024 AMI limits, and loans with Application Received Dates on and after May 18 will be subject to the 2025 AMI limits for the purpose of applying the waiver
Limited Cash-Out	 Loan files must be documented with proof of Fannie Mae ownership if LTV is above 95%. DU submission requires identifying the existing mortgage as owned by Fannie Mae. Exceptions can be made for non-Fannie Mae loans where the CLTV exceeds 95% solely due to the subordinate community second loan.

2024 Conforming Loan Limits			
Units	Contiguous States	Alaska and Hawaii	
One	\$766,550	\$1,149,825	
Two	\$981,500	\$1,472,250	
Three	\$1,186,350	\$1,779,525	
Four	\$1,474,400	\$2,211,600	

Loan Limits

2025 Conforming Loan Limits			
Units	Contiguous States	Alaska and Hawaii	
One	\$806,500	\$1,209,750	
Two	\$1,032,650	\$1,548,975	
Three	\$1,248,150	\$1,872,225	
Four	\$1,551,250	\$2,326,875	

Minimum Borrower Contribution

(Own funds)

Number of Units	Minimum Borrower Contribution
One ¹	None
Two to Four	3%

^{1.} A minimum down payment of 5% is required if sweat equity is being used

A minimum down payment from the borrower's own funds is not required if LTV is 80% or less

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Mortgage Insurance (MI)	_	e for LTVs of 90% or less It are the the only eligible MI p	providers for single-wide
Occupancy Type	Primary residence only		
Property Type	Eligible Properties 1-Unit Properties 2-4 unit principal residence (no condos, co-ops, or manufactured housing) Eligible Condos Eligible Cooperative Housing Units (refer to the Cooperative section above for restrictions) PUDs Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Refer to the Property Type- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) for restrictions Manufactured Housing Refer to the Property Type - Manufactured Home section for restrictions Ineligible Properties On-frame modular construction Boarding houses Bed and Breakfast properties Properties that are not suitable for year-round occupancy regardless of location Agricultural properties, such as farms or ranches Properties that are not readily accessible by roads that meet local standards Vacant land or land development properties State-approved medical marijuana producing properties Properties with water sourced by a river Properties located on Tribal Lands which include section 184 Hawaiian properties in Lava Zones 1 and 2 Properties located in the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Leasehold (DHHL) Lot size over 40 acres in the state of Montana		
	Property Type	Eligibility	Ineligible ADU Attributes
Property Type - Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)	1-Unit (Stick Built) with an ADU	 1-unit stick built property with an ADU is permitted The primary dwelling must be superior in nature The ADU may be a manufactured home legally classified as real property The ADU must 	 Properties with more than one ADU (only one ADU is permitted) 2-4 unit dwelling with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Manufactured home with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)

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	Manufactured home with an ADU	provide for living, sleeping, cooking, and bathroom facilities and be on the same parcel as the primary one-unit dwelling Income generated from an accessory unit can be considered as rental income under HomeReady in accordance with standard rental income guidelines The manufactured home must be a one-unit dwelling that is legally classified as real property and cannot include an ADU	(ADU)
Property Type - Manufactured Home	 The manufactured home and the land on which it is situated must be titled as real property prior to closing The home must be constructed after June 15th, 1976 PERS approval is required for all condo, co-op, or PUD projects that consist of single-width manufactured homes Manufactured home with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) that is also a manufactured home is ineligible 		
Reserves	As outlined in Desktop Unde	rwriter	
Subordinate Financing	Allowed with eligible Community Seconds; refer to Lending Guide		
Temporary Buydown	A temporary buydown allows borrowers to reduce their effective monthly payment for a limited period of time through a temporary buydown of the interest rate. • The effective interest rate that a borrower pays during the early years of the mortgage is reduced as a result of the deposit of a lump sum of money (sometimes called a "subsidy") into a buydown account. A portion of the subsidy is released each month to reduce the borrower's payments. • The buydown funds may be provided by various parties, including the borrower, the lender, the property seller, or other interested parties to the transaction. General Requirements for Temporary Interest Rate Buydown Plans • Buydown program is "3-2-1"		

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- Interest rate for the first year is 3% lower than the Note rate
- Interest rate for the second year is 2% lower than the Note rate
- Interest rate for the third year is 1% lower than the Note rate
- Interest rate for the remaining years is the Note rate
- Buydown program is "2-1"
 - o Interest rate for the first year is 2% lower than the Note rate
 - o Interest rate for the second year is 1% lower than the Note rate
 - Interest rate for the remaining years is the Note rate
- Buydown program is "1-1"
 - o Interest rate for the first year is 1% lower than the Note rate
 - Interest rate for the second year is 1% lower than the Note rate
 - o Interest rate for the remaining years is the Note rate
- Buydown program is "1-0"
 - Interest rate for the first year is 1% lower than the Note rate
 - Interest rate for the remaining years is the Note rate
- The actual note rate and monthly payment that the borrower is obligated to pay is never actually reduced, and the full rate and payment must be reflected on the mortgage documents.
- At the end of the buydown period, the buydown funds collected at closing will have been exhausted, and the buydown period ends.
- Allowed on fixed-rate mortgages
- Primary residence 1-4 unit dwelling
- Purchase transaction only
- Eligible for single and double-width manufactured homes
- Rate increase will not exceed 1% per year
- The mortgage instruments must reflect the permanent payment terms rather than the terms of the buydown plan

Buydown Funds Provided by Interested Parties to the Transaction

• When the source of the buydown funds is an interested party, the Interest Party Contribution limits will apply

Lender-Funded Buydowns

• If the buydown is funded by the lender as part of the pricing on the loan, the buydown agreement must require that the funds in the buydown account be transferred to the new servicer if the mortgage is subsequently transferred.

Buydown Agreements

- The buydown agreement must provide that the borrower is not relieved of his/her obligation to make the mortgage payments required by the terms of the Note
- The buydown agreement may include an option for the buydown funds to be returned to the borrower or to the lender, if it funded the buydown, if the mortgage is paid off before all of the funds have been applied.

Qualifying the Borrower

 The borrower is qualified based on the Note rate without any consideration of the bought-down rate

Terms of the Buydown

• The buydown plan provides for increases of not more than 1% in the interest rate paid in each 12-month interval

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	Buydown Funds	
	 Funds for buydown accounts must be deposited into custodial bank accounts The buydown funds are applied toward payments as they come due under the Note Buydown funds are not refundable unless the mortgage is paid off before all funds have been applied Buydown funds cannot be used to pay past-due payments Delivery Requirements Special Feature Code SFC 009 is used for Fannie Mae deliveries 	
Transactions	Ineligible Transactions Land Contracts On-frame modular construction Boarding houses Bed and Breakfast properties Properties that are not suitable for year-round occupancy regardless of location Agricultural properties, such as farms or ranches Properties that are not readily accessible by roads that meet local standards Vacant land or land development properties Properties encumbered with Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) or Home Energy Renovation Opportunity (HERO) obligations State-approved medical marijuana producing properties Properties with water sourced by a river Properties located on Tribal Lands which include section 184 Hawaiian properties in Lava Zones 1 and 2 Properties located in the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Leasehold (DHHL) 2-4 unit dwelling with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Manufactured home with an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) that is also a manufactured home Lot size over 40 acres in the state of Montana	
ARM Terms		
ARM Index	30-Day Average of SOFR	
ARM Caps	 5yr/6m SOFR ARM: 2/1/5 % 7yr/6m and 10yr/6m SOFR ARMs: 5/1/5% 	
ARM Margin	2.75%The Floor is the margin	
ARM Change Look Back Period	• 45 days	
Conversion Option	None	

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Qualifying Rate	 5yr/6m SOFR ARM Qualify at the higher of Note rate plus 2% or fully indexed rate 7yr/6m and 10yr/6m SOFR ARMs Qualify at the Note rate
Rate Adjustment	 The interest rate can be adjusted up or down at each rate change date, based on the movements in the index The interest rate will be adjusted to equal the sum of the index plus the required margin, rounded to the nearest .125% subject to the interest rate caps The monthly payment will be adjusted in accordance with the change in the interest rate
Rate Change Dates	 The interest rate at lock-in will remain constant until the first rate change date. Subsequent rate change dates will occur on the 1st day of every 6th calendar month thereafter The first change date is the month prior to the first payment date plus the number of years (5, 7 or 10) based on the ARM program type. For Example: 5yr/6m ARM with a First Payment date of 4/01/2020 would have an Interest Rate change date of 3/01/2025

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