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# **3hree Steps to First-Time Home Ownership**

BASE ALL OF YOUR IMPORTANT DECISIONS ON FACTS, NOT FEARS

# STEP 1: Use facts to overcome fears about buying a home

- Fear # 1: I can't afford to buy a home right now.
- Fact # 1: Actually, you can't afford NOT to buy a home right now.
- Fear # 2: I should wait until the real estate market gets better.
- Fact # 2: There is never a wrong time to buy the right home.
- Fear # 3: I don't have the money for the down payment.
- Fact # 3: There are a variety of down payment options available to you.
- Fear # 4: I can't buy a home because my credit isn't very good.
- Fact # 4: A less-than-perfect credit score won't necessarily prevent you from buying a home.
- Fear # 5: I can't afford to buy my dream home.
- Fact# 5: The best way to get closer to buying your dream home is to buy your first home
- Fear # 6: I should wait to buy a home until I get married.

#### Fact # 6: There is no reason to wait.

**Fear # 7**: Buying a home seems way too complicated.

**Fact # 7:** Buying a home is way too complicated, but that's why you have help.

YOU'VE OVERCOME YOUR FEARS. YOU'RE READY TO BUY YOUR FIRST HOME ...

# **STEP 2: Decide to Buy**

- Financial net worth comparison, according to the U.S. Federal Reserve Board of Consumer
- \* Average net worth of renters = \$4,000
- \* Average net worth of home owners = \$184,400
- —A home is the largest financial asset most people have due to equity and appreciation over time.
- \* Why pay rent when you can own?
- \* If you took out a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage for \$150,000 and made monthly mortgage payments of \$900, you'd pay \$324,000 in mortgage and interest payments over the life of the loan. And after 30 years you'd own a home with an appreciated value potential of \$364,000 (at 3% annual appreciation).
- \* Keep in mind: Appreciation rates vary greatly based on local conditions.
- \* Average annual appreciation rate nationally is 4 to 6 percent since 1977.
- \* At 3% annual appreciation, a home purchased for \$150,000 would grow to \$364,000 in 30 years.
- \* Even at 1.5% annual appreciation, this same home would still grow from \$150,000 to \$234,462 in 30 years.
- \* Compare that to paying \$800 per month in rent over 30 years. Even if your landlord improbably never raised rent, you would still spend \$288,000 and own nothing.
- —Home is where the heart is.
- \* A home represents your personal tastes and provides a haven of stability and security for both you and your loved ones.
- \* Buying your first home is an emotional decision.
- \* Provides a pride of home ownership, because it is yours.

**STOP PAYING RENT!** 

PURCHASE A HOME TO INCREASE YOUR PERSONAL NET WORTH.

### **STEP 3: Hire Your Agent**

Real estate agents perform 7 main roles:

- 1. Educate you about the market
- 2. Analyze your wants and needs
- 3. Steer you to homes that fit your criteria
- 4. Coordinate the work of other needed professionals
- 5. Negotiate on your behalf
- 6. Review paperwork and deadlines
- 7. Solve any problems that may arise

CONSIDER USING THE PURCHASE OF A HOME TO HELP BUILD YOUR PERSONAL NET WORTH.

HIRE ME TO GET STARTED ...

STEP 4: "Secure Financing" ... CALL NOW! Make an appointment for a "FREE BUYER CONSULTATION," and I will help you through the remaining steps to homeownership. For more information or a FREE Buyer Consultation, contact Cary Muhammad, CarySellsHomes.com – (213) 444-6168 – CarySellsHomes@gmail.com Serving home sellers and buyers in Pacific Palisades, Malibu & select Los Angeles, CA areas.

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