Homebuyer Education and Financial Literacy Resources in Des Moines

*Neighborhood Finance Corporation collaborates with local and online resources for homebuyer education opportunities and budget and financial counseling.*

**Homebuyer Education Resources**

*NFC encourages all first-time homebuyers to complete a homebuyer education course as early in their home search as possible.*

**Framework** is a certified online provider of homebuyer education through Fannie Mae. For more information, please visit [https://educate.frameworkhomeownership.org/](https://educate.frameworkhomeownership.org/). Information is available in Spanish and English.

**Budget and Financial Counseling Resources**

**HOME, Inc.’s** offers Homeownership Counseling and Supportive Services to help prospective homeowners determine if they are ready to purchase, and develop a plan to do so. Their Homeownership Readiness Assessment helps identify barriers to home buying, and develop a plan to eliminate those barriers. HOME, Inc. provides individual assessments to help you put your plan into action. For more information, please visit [www.homeincdsm.org](http://www.homeincdsm.org).

**Financial Capability Network** provides a pathway of financial literacy and inclusion that helps households achieve financial stability and homeownership. For more information please visit [www.empowermoney.org](http://www.empowermoney.org). Click on "Schedule an Appointment" and then on “First Time 1 on 1 Coaching Consultation” and indicate that you were referred by NFC.

**eHome America** offers a Money Management Online course developed for consumers wanting to improve their cash flow, decrease debt, plan for future purchases, and improve credit. This course will guide you in creating a financial plan and teach you how to budget and save, determine how its best ways to pay off your debt and how to stay out of debt, help you understand and maintain good credit, and advise planning options for unexpected expenses. For more information, please visit [www.ehomeamerica.org/homeincdsm](http://www.ehomeamerica.org/homeincdsm).

**Down Payment Resources**

Neighborhood Finance Corporation offers a $10,500 30-year deferred loan at a 0% interest rate for down payment assistance to qualifying homebuyers. For more information, please visit [www.neighborhoodfinance.org/down-payment](http://www.neighborhoodfinance.org/down-payment). NFC also partners with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines HomeStart down payment program for eligible homebuyers. Please contact our office for information on all available down payment assistance programs.