

2024 FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER GRANT PROGRAM

Scott County CDA offers down payment and closing cost grants to eligible First-Time homebuyers purchasing a home in Scott County. Applicants must be active participants in our Homebuyer Counseling Program, have completed a HUD approved Education Course, and meet all other criteria below. **In 2024, the maximum grant amount is \$8,000.**

Grant Eligibility Criteria is Below:

Prior to Signing a purchase agreement,

- **1.** Must have completed a minimum of 1 Pre-purchase counseling session within the last 12 months. First session must be completed **at least 60 days prior** to signing the purchase agreement.
- **2.** Must have completed either a Homestretch Homebuyers Education Workshop within the last 5 years **OR** the online course, **FRAMEWORK** within the last 2 years.
- **3.** All persons listed on mortgage loan/purchase agreements must be <u>First time homebuyers</u>—not have owned a home or property in the last 3 years. (Manufactured/Mobile Homes Excluded).

4. Must meet the Household income guidelines (see below):

- ➤ Household size of 1-2, cannot make more than \$124,200 per year
- Household size of 3 or more cannot make more than \$142,800 per year
- *The CDA works with your lender to calculate and verify income. The CDA counts income from all household members 18 and older. Dependents who are full-time students are excluded.
- **5.** Must purchase home in Scott County
- **6.** Grants must be used towards closing costs or down payment funds
- 7. Purchase price must be less than \$405,000
- 8. Must put down at least \$1,000 of own money
- **9.** Down payment, from borrower's own funds or gifts, **must not exceed 5% of purchase price** (Closing costs and down payment assistance excluded)
- **10.** Homebuyer must be listed on the mortgage loan and purchase agreement
- **11.** Must be purchasing a single-family home, condo, or townhome
- **12.** Must occupy home after purchase as primary residence
- **13.** Must be a fully amortizing, fixed rate mortgage. Cannot be contract for deed or private party transaction, including purchasing from family members
- **14.** Must be able to qualify for mortgage amount without the grant. Grant money cannot be basis for qualifying for a higher mortgage amount
- **15.** Must be in good standing with Scott County CDA
- **16.** Must NOT have received a SCCDA Grant before