

HFA Advantage Program Modifications

The Iowa Finance Authority is instituting changes to the HFA Advantage Program, per notification from Freddie Mac (FHLMC) that they will begin instituting fixed credit fees for certain loans delivered through the program. The product changes mirror those recently announced by Fannie Mae.

Upcoming Changes Impacting Reservations



MORTGAGE INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIRED

FirstHome: Charter level MI coverage is 18%

FirstHome: Unchanged: Borrowers with lender's qualifying income of less than 80% AMI

Changed: Borrowers with lender's qualifying income of more than 80% AMI: Standard MI coverage rates (35%) now apply

Homes for lowans:

Charter Level Coverage is 18%

Homes for lowans: Unchanged: Borrowers with lender's qualifying income of less than 80% AMI

<u>Changed</u>: Borrower's with lender's qualifying income of more than 80% AMI: Loans no longer accepted

INCOME ELIGIBILITY	FirstHome: IFA household income limits <u>Homes for lowans</u> : IFA household income limits	FirstHome: Unchanged Homes for lowans: Changed: The maximum lender's qualifying income of borrowers choosing the HFA Advantage loan product may not exceed 80% AMI
MANUFACTURED HOMES	<u>FirstHome</u> : Not allowed <u>Homes for Iowans</u> : Not allowed	<u>FirstHome</u> : <u>Unchanged</u> <u>Homes for Iowans</u> : <u>Unchanged</u>
NON-OCCUPYING CO-BORROWERS OR CO-SIGNERS	FirstHome: Not allowed Homes for lowans: Not allowed	<u>FirstHome</u> : <u>Unchanged</u> <u>Homes for Iowans</u> : <u>Unchanged</u>
DOWN PAYMENT SUBSIDY	FirstHome:\$1,500 for borrowersearning less than or equal to80% AMI (i.e., low-incomepurchase borrowers)\$2,500 for borrowersearning 50% AMI or less(i.e. very low-incomepurchase borrowers)Homes for lowans:\$1,500 for borrowersearning less than or equal to80% AMI (i.e., low-incomepurchase borrowers)\$2,500 for borrowers\$2,500 for borrowersearning 50% AMI or less(i.e. very low-incomepurchase borrowers)\$2,500 for borrowersearning 50% AMI or less(i.e. very low-incomepurchase borrowers)	FirstHome: Discontinued

IMPORTANT DATES



FEB. 1, 2020: Last day for reservations through the <u>current</u> FHLMC program.

MARCH 31, 2020: Last day for Idaho to purchase through <u>current</u> FHLMC program. Please contact the <u>IFA Single-Family team</u>, with any questions: 800.432.7230.

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