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Single Family Lending Program Bulletin

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To: CalHFA Approved Lenders

MyHome Loan Amount Cap to Increase to \$11,000

CalHFA is increasing the loan amount cap on the MyHome assistance program to \$11,000 effective for loans reserved on or after February 1, 2021. This cap increase supersedes the previous cap announced in Program Bulletin 2020-01. All other loan amount guidelines for the MyHome Assistance Program remain the same. The updated MyHome Program Handbook will be available on CalHFA's Loan Programs website starting on the announced effective date.

Summary of MyHome Loan Amount Limits

First Mortgage	Maximum MyHome Loan Amount	
CalHFA ConventionalCalPLUS ConventionalCalHFA USDA	Loan amount not to exceed the LESSER of: • \$11,000 or • 3.00% of the sales price or appraised value, whichever is less.	
CalHFA FHACalPLUS FHA	Loan amount not to exceed the LESSER of: • \$11,000 or • 3.50% of the sales price or appraised value, whichever is less.	
The following categories are <u>NOT</u> subject to the \$11,000 loan amount cap.		
Eligible Borrower(s) School Employees¹ Fire Department Employees² Eligible Loan Types CalHFA VA First Mortgage		Eligible Property Type(s) New Construction Properties Manufactured Housing Properties Single Family homes with Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Units

¹School Employees are defined as teachers, administrators, school district employees and staff members working for any <u>California public school</u> (Pre/TK - 12) or public-school district, which includes Charter schools and county/continuation schools. Additional documentation required to determine eligibility.

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²Fire Department Employees are defined as firefighters, administrators and all other state, federal, local or tribal fire department employees. Additional documentation required to determine eligibility.

Note: Loans reserved prior to the effective date of February 1, 2021 are subject to the current MyHome \$10,000 cap; no exceptions.

Reminder: CalHFA strongly encourages lenders to use the Closing Doc Wizard in MAS during the doc drawing process. The Closing Doc Wizard ensures the closing docs are being drawn correctly with the applicable fields auto-populated.

For questions about this bulletin, contact CalHFA Single Family Lending Division by phone 916.326.8033 or by email at SFLending@calhfa.ca.gov. Plus you can always visit CalHFA's website at: www.calhfa.ca.gov/homeownership.