## Buyer's Roadmap

successful home shopping

experience.



Meet with a real estate professional

Discuss the type of home you're looking for, including style, price, and location. Take this time to formalize your partnership by signing the **Buyer Representation Agreement.** It's a crucial move that lets your agent fully commit to finding your dream property.

Get pre-approved
You will need a variety of Search for homes

documents including pay stubs and bank statements.

Knowing what you can afford is critical to a

The fun part! Your agent will schedule showings and help you find the perfect home.

Advanced search

Not all real estate websites are the same. Your real estate professional has tools and systems to ensure you see every available home that meets your criteria.

Make an Offer

Your agent will prepare the offer based on the price and terms you choose.

Negotiations and contract

It may take a few tries to get it just right, but stay positive. You're on your way.

Contract

In most cases the contract provides you with a timeline to obtain financing, as well as time to inspect the physical condition of the home. Your real estate professional will inform you of all of your rights and responsibilities related to the contract.

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**Under Contract** 

You and the Seller have agreed to the price and terms. The home is effectively held for you until closing.

Preparing for closing
Perform due diligence,

conduct an inspection, and finalize your loan.

Your agent will be helping you through this entire process.

Once you are satisfied, your deposit is due to be paid in trust account, according to your contract conditions.

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Closing

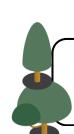
This is the transfer of funds and ownership. A lawyer or notary public acts as an independent third party to facilitate the closing.



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Congratulations!

You are a new home owner!



