Homeownership Program
PROFILE INTAKE FORM

Dear Prospective Client:

Thank you for your interest in our Homeownership Program. You’ve taken a big first step! NHS Brooklyn is here to assist you in making homeownership a success.

NHS Brooklyn is a not-for-profit, community-based housing organization, established in 1982. Dedicated to serving the housing needs of Brooklyn residents, our mission is to revitalize communities through lending programs and financial educational services, one of which is our First-Time Homebuyer Program.

The Homeownership Program is designed to support low- to moderate-income households and beyond to realize their dream of homeownership. We offer informational seminars and webinars; down-payment and closing-cost assistance; one-on-one counseling; mortgage referral services; credit check; financial education; a 10-hour home-buyer course; and more.

To begin the process to obtain your Certificate of Completion for Home Buyer Education, please:

- Complete this Intake Form
- Gather all required documents
- Pay the fee: Visit www.nhsbrooklyn.org and select the home-buyer education option to pay $75 for the first two people purchasing the home and $25 for each additional person purchasing the home.
- Submit the Intake Form and all required documents via one of the following methods:
  - Email them to homeownershipdept@nhsbrooklyn.org (preferable) OR
  - Mail them to NHS Brooklyn, Attn: Homeownership Dept., 2806 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11226 OR
  - Drop them off at our East Flatbush or Canarsie office Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Once you have submitted your paperwork and fee, a homeownership counselor will call you to schedule a telephone counseling session that will include a Financial Analysis. The Financial Analysis lets us determine your credit health, establish short- and long-term goals, identify possible closing cost- and down-payment assistance, and see how else we can assist you.

We strongly recommend that clients receive one-on-one counseling and a financial analysis FIRST, before enrolling in our Homebuyer Education Course, because the course certificate expires and clients often need time to address issues with credit and other matters that arise during one-on-one counseling.

**Incomplete packages will not be accepted!**

If you have any questions, please contact the Homeownership Department at 718-469-4679, ext. 1206. We are looking forward to assisting you with your home-buying needs.

Sincerely,
Program Manager
Homeownership Program

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR COUNSELING

Please note: ALL DOCUMENTS listed below must be submitted for ALL PERSONS who will be purchasing the property PRIOR to your one-on-one counseling session.

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1. Non-refundable $75 fee, submitted through our website (Step 1 on www.nhsbrooklyn.org/buying-first-home) OR in person via Money Order made out to NHS Brooklyn. NO CHECKS.

2. Completed and signed Intake Form

3. PHOTOCOPIES (no originals and we do not make copies!) of the following documents for all applicants:

   a. Applicants who receive a SALARY must submit:
      - Federal and State Income Tax Returns—2 most recent years with all schedules and W2s (and 1099s, if any)
      - Bank statements – 3 most recent, all pages for all checking and savings accounts, even if the page is “blank” and even if the account is inactive.
      - Paystubs for all income sources—4 most recent if paid weekly, 2 most recent if paid bi-weekly
      - If have past credit problems, submit proof of payoff(s) and/or satisfaction, such as receipts, cancelled checks, letters of satisfaction, or settlement letters

   b. Applicants who are SELF-EMPLOYED must submit:
      - Federal and State Income Tax Returns—2 most recent years with all schedules, W2s, and 1099s
      - Year-to-date Profit and Loss Statement (P&L)
      - Personal bank statements—3 most recent, all pages for all accounts (checking and savings)
      - For past credit problems, submit proof of payoff(s) and/or satisfaction, such as receipts, cancelled checks, letters of satisfaction, or settlement letters
      - Explanation letter regarding past or current delinquency

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Today's date: How did you hear about NHS Brooklyn (friend, internet search, Facebook, etc.)?

First Name: __________________ Last Name: ___________________________ D.O.B. __________ Age: _____

Address (w/apt): __________________ Apt.: _____ City: __________ State: ___ Zip Code: ______

Previous address if less than two years: _____________________________ Email: ______________________

Cell Phone: _________________ Home Phone: _______________ Work Phone: _______________

Gender:  Male □   Female □   Female single head of household: Yes □ No □

Marital Status (choose one): □ Married  □ Single  □ Separated  □ Widowed  □ Divorced

Veteran: Yes □ No □   Active military: Yes □ No □   Disabled: Yes □ No □

Ethnicity - Hispanic: Yes □ No □   Foreign born: Yes □ No □   Proficient English speaker? Yes □ No □

Race: □ Black/African American □ White/Caucasian □ Native American □ Asian □ Pacific Islander □ Other: ______________________

Highest Level of Education (choose one): □ College □ Vocational □ High School/GED □ Primary School □ None

Current Housing (choose one): □ Homeowner with mortgage □ Homeowner without mortgage □ Renter □ Other: ________________

Total number of people who will live in new home: ________ Number of children 17 & under who will live in new home: ________

First-time Homebuyer (choose one): Yes □ No □   Your Gross Annual Income: $____________________

Total gross income of all people who will live in the new home: __________________________

EMPLOYMENT

Applicant’s Primary Employer: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Start Date: _________________ End Date (if applicable): _______________ Self-Employed: Yes □ No □

Business Type: _______________ Monthly Gross Income: $____________ Monthly Net Income: $____________

Applicant’s Secondary Employer: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Start Date: _________________ End Date (if applicable): _______________ Self-Employed: Yes □ No □

Business Type: _______________ Monthly Gross Income: $____________ Monthly Net Income: $____________

Is your current address a NYCHA property? Yes □ No □
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HOUSING GOALS

Desired property type: _____________________ When looking to purchase: _______________ Where: _____________________

CO-APPLICANT INFORMATION

Co-Applicant First Name: ___________________ Last Name: ___________________ D.O.B. _______ Age: _______

Address (w/apt): __________________________ Apt.: ____ City: _______________ State: ___ Zip Code: ______

Previous address if less than two years: __________________________________________ Email: ______________________

Cell Phone: _______________________________ Home Phone: ___________________ Work Phone: __________________

Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐ Female single head of household: Yes ☐ No ☐

Marital Status (choose one): ☐ Married ☐ Single ☐ Separated ☐ Widowed ☐ Divorced

Veteran: Yes ☐ No ☐ Active military: Yes ☐ No ☐ Disabled: Yes ☐ No ☐

Ethnicity - Hispanic: Yes ☐ No ☐ Foreign born: Yes ☐ No ☐ Proficient English speaker? Yes ☐ No ☐

Race: ☐ Black/African American ☐ White/Caucasian ☐ Native American ☐ Asian ☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Other: _________

Highest Level of Education (choose one): ☐ College ☐ Vocational ☐ High School/GED ☐ Primary School ☐ None

Current Housing (choose one): ☐ Homeowner with mortgage ☐ Homeowner without mortgage ☐ Renter ☐ Other: _________

First-time Homebuyer (choose one): Yes ☐ No ☐ Your Gross Annual Income: $______________

EMPLOYMENT

Co-Applicant’s Primary Employer: __________________________________________ Job Title: ________________

Start Date: _______________ End Date (if applicable): _______________ Self-Employed: Yes ☐ No ☐


Co-Applicant’s Secondary Employer: __________________________________________ Job Title: ________________

Start Date: _______________ End Date (if applicable): _______________ Self-Employed: Yes ☐ No ☐


Is your current address a NYCHA property? Yes ☐ No ☐
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### HOUSEHOLD BUDGET

**Applicant MONTHLY Gross Income (before taxes)**

- Applicant’s monthly pay
- Applicant’s overtime
- Other earnings (explain):
  - Alimony
  - Bonuses
  - Child support
  - Commissions
  - Disability
  - Foster care
  - Interest
  - Military
  - Part-time work
  - Pensions
  - Public Assistance
  - Rental income
  - Social Security
  - SSI
  - Unemployment
  - Other income

**Total MONTHLY Gross Income of all adults who will live in the new home:**

$__________

**Household Expenses (monthly averages)**

**Fixed expenses**

- Auto:
  - a. Gas
  - b. Repairs
  - c. Insurance
  - d. Auto loan
- Child support/Alimony
- Credit cards
- Credit collections
- Education
- Housing payment
- Installment loans
- Insurance
- Medical, dental, pharmacy
- Savings
- Taxes
- Telephone and cable
- Utilities
- Other recurring expense

**Discretionary Monthly Expenses**

- Charity
- Clothing
- Daily work expenses
- Dining out
- Entertainment
- Food and groceries
- Gifts
- Household items
- Pet expenses
- Transportation (bus, train)
- Travel
- Miscellaneous
- Other:______________

**Total Household Expenses:**

$__________

**Co-Applicant MONTHLY Gross Income (before taxes)**

- Co-applicant’s base pay
- Co-applicant’s overtime
- Net rental income
- Other earnings (explain):
  - Alimony
  - Bonuses
  - Child support
  - Commissions
  - Disability
  - Foster care
  - Interest
  - Military
  - Part-time work
  - Pensions
  - Public Assistance
  - Net rental income
  - Social Security

- SSI
- Unemployment
- Other income:

$__________
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AUTHORIZATION

APPLICANT

I authorize Neighborhood Housing Services of Brooklyn, CDC, Inc. to: (a) pull my credit report to review my credit file for housing counseling in connection with my pursuit on a loan to purchase real property; (b) pull my credit report and review my credit file for informational inquiry purposes; and (c) obtain a copy of the Closing Disclosure, Appraisal, and Real Estate Note(s) when I purchase a home from the lender who made me a loan and/or the title company that closed the loan.

I understand that any intentional or negligent representation(s) of the information contained on this form may result in civil liability and/or criminal liability under the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001.

PRINT Applicant Name: ____________________________ Applicant Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________

CO-APPLICANT

I authorize Neighborhood Housing Services of Brooklyn, CDC, Inc. to: (a) pull my credit report to review my credit file for housing counseling in connection with my pursuit on a loan to purchase real property; (b) pull my credit report and review my credit file for informational inquiry purposes; and (c) obtain a copy of the Closing Disclosure, Appraisal, and Real Estate Note(s) when I purchase a home from the lender who made me a loan and/or the title company that closed the loan.

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PRINT Co-Applicant Name: ____________________________ Co-Applicant Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________
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PRIVACY POLICY and PRACTICES

Neighborhood Housing Services of Brooklyn CDC, Inc. is committed to assuring the privacy of individuals and/or families who have contacted us for assistance. We realize that the concerns you bring to us are highly personal in nature. We assure you that all information shared, both orally and in writing, will be managed within legal and ethical considerations. Your “nonpublic personal information,” such as your total debt information, income, living expenses, and person information concerning your financial circumstances, will be provided to creditors, program managers, and others only with your authorization and signature. We may also use anonymous aggregated case file information for the purpose of evaluating our services, gathering valuable research data, and designing future programs.

Types of information that we gather about you:

- Information we receive from you orally and on applications or other forms, such as your name, address, Social Security Number, assets, and income;
- Information about your transactions with us, your creditors, or others, such as your account balance, payment history, parties to transactions, and credit card usage;
- Information we receive from a credit reporting agency, such as your credit history.

You may opt out of certain disclosures:

- You may opt out of disclosures of your nonpublic personal information to third parties (such as your creditors); that is, you may direct us not to make those disclosures.
- If you choose to opt out, we will not be able to answer questions from your creditors. If at any time you wish to change your decision to opt out or not, please contact us.

Release of your information to third parties:

- So long as you have not opted out, we may disclose some or all of the information that we collect, as described above, to your creditors or third parties where we have determined that it would be helpful to you, would aid us in counseling you, or is a requirement of grant awards which make our services possible.
- We may also disclose any nonpublic personal information about you to anyone as permitted by law (e.g., if we are compelled by legal process).
- Within the organization, we restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information to provide services to you. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations to guard your nonpublic personal information.

I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the above, and that I have been informed of the fee associated with this service.

Applicant: ___________________________________________ Date: ____________
Co-Applicant Signature: _________________________________ Date: ____________
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
ABOUT SUBMITTING A PACKET FOR FIRST-TIME HOMEOWNERSHIP COUNSELING

To start the homebuyer education process, submit a packet for one-on-one counseling. A packet consists of a completed Intake Form (available on our website), copies of all necessary documents, and payment, and are processed in the order in which they are received.

Copies only. Submit copies of all pages of required documents. We do not accept originals and we do not make copies. Do not black out anything on any document, or it will be considered altered and cannot then be accepted.

- **W-2 and 1099 forms for the previous 2 years.** If submitting between Jan. 1 and Apr. 15, and you have already submitted your taxes, submit documents for last year and the year before. If submitting between Jan. 1 and Apr. 15 and you have NOT yet submitted your taxes, submit documents for two and three years before this year. If submitting after Apr. 15, submit for the previous year and one year prior. Submit documents for all applicants.

- **Paystubs.** Submit 2 of your most recent paystubs if you’re paid every other week, and 4 if paid every week. Do not skip weeks; paystubs must be consecutive.

- **Co-applicants.** Anyone purchasing the home with the Applicant is a Co-Applicant. Each Co-Applicant must complete the Co-applicant info (p. 2) and budget pages (p. 3), and sign and date the authorization and privacy statement (p. 4). Co-applicants must also submit copies of all required documents.

- **Payment on our website using PayPal.** The $75 fee is for one or two applicants. Add $25 for each additional person who will be on the mortgage. Payments are non-refundable. If you don’t have a PayPal account, you may use the site as a Guest. You may also submit a money order in person with your packet (Intake Form and Documents).

- **Bank pre-approval.** Do not go to a bank for pre-approval of a loan before receiving counseling, as doing so will lower your credit score, may not be the best kind of mortgage for the type of property you want to buy, may not be the best terms you can get, and may not be with a bank with whom we work to provide down-payment and closing-cost grants.

- **Credit report.** Your counselor will do a “soft pull” of your credit history, which will not lower your credit score. Do not pull your own credit report and do not include one in your packet.

Check your packet for completeness. Please check your packet for completeness before submitting. Incomplete packets cause delays and may be refused.

3 Ways to Submit your Packet (Intake Form, proof of payment, and documents)

- **EMAIL.** Pay on our website at [www.nhsbrooklyn.org/buying-first-home](http://www.nhsbrooklyn.org/buying-first-home), then scan and email your packet to [homeownershipdept@nhsbrooklyn.org](mailto:homeownershipdept@nhsbrooklyn.org)

- **MAIL.** Pay on our website at [www.nhsbrooklyn.org/buying-first-home](http://www.nhsbrooklyn.org/buying-first-home), then mail your packet to our East Flatbush office at NHS Brooklyn, Homeownership Department, 2806 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11226

- **DROP OFF IN PERSON.** Bring your packet and payment Monday through Friday between 9am and 5pm to 2806 Church Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11226. We are half a block from the 2 & 5 Church Avenue subway and on the B35 bus line.

After submission of your packet. Once you submit your packet and it is found to be complete, a counselor will contact you to set up a one-on-one telephone counseling session to determine your mortgage-readiness and next steps.

Financial coaching. We encourage all clients, regardless of mortgage-readiness, to take one of our monthly Financial Coaching Webinars. Register for an upcoming date at [www.nhsbrooklyn.org/upcoming-events](http://www.nhsbrooklyn.org/upcoming-events)

NOTE: If you wish to purchase a home outside one of the 5 NYC boroughs (Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx, Manhattan, Staten Island), you may prefer to search [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov) for a HUD-certified housing nonprofit that serves the county where you wish to buy and that offers a pre-purchase homeownership education program.