

City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development

Dear Prospective Home Buyer:

Thank you for your interest in the City of Cincinnati American Dream Down Payment Initiative (ADDI). The enclosed application packet details important information about the program. To be sure you will qualify, please review all information in this packet before completing the application. Program participation is limited to households where adjusted gross income is 80% or less than the median for our area. Consult the enclosed brochure for a listing of these income limits in addition to other Program requirements and guidelines. If you determine that you may be eligible, complete the application and return it to the appropriate address. This packet and a complete guide and procedure manual are available on the web at www.cincinnati-oh.gov.

Applications will be evaluated on a first come first served basis with a limited number of qualified applicants being granted a "Conditions of Pre-approval." Those receiving this letter will then have 90 days to present a fully executed purchase contract for a qualifying residence in order to receive down payment assistance. Please note that a purchase contract executed prior to receipt of a Letter of Pre-approval will not be eligible for ADDI funds. Please also note that only applicants that have been pre-qualified for a mortgage are eligible to apply for ADDI funds. Evidence of pre-qualification must accompany the ADDI application. Additional information may be requested of you or a third party at anytime to determine or confirm your eligibility for participation in the ADDI program. Failure to comply with that request will result in a rejection or termination of your eligibility to participate. Allow 10-15 business days for processing.

We appreciate your interest in the ADDI program and look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Hackworth

Senior Development Analyst

Enclosure(s)



THE CITY OF CINCINNATI AMERICAN DREAM DOWNPAYMENT INITIATIVE

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) coordinates the City of Cincinnati's American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI) Program. The ADDI Program is designed to assist first-time homebuyers that have limited with purchase of a home. ADDI funds may only be used to pay for down payment and/or closing costs.

QUALIFICATIONS

In order to apply, applicants must have a pre-qualification for a mortgage loan and must also be First Time Homebuyers. For this program, a First Time Homebuyer is one who meets one of the three criteria below:

- 1. An individual and his/her spouse who have not owned a home during the three-year period prior to the purchase of the home assisted under the ADDI Program.
- 2. A single parent, defined as an individual who is unmarried or legally separated from a spouse who is pregnant, has custody of one or more minor children, or who shares joint custody.
- 3. A displaced homemaker, defined as an individual who is an adult (aged eighteen years or older), has not worked full-time for a full-year in the labor force over a number of years, but has during such years, worked primarily without remuneration (wages) to care for the home and family; and, is unemployed or under-employed and experiencing difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment.

Applicants must be 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) or Less (see table below):

Household

Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
80% AMI	\$39,900	\$45,600	\$51,300	\$56,950	\$61,550	\$66,100	\$70,650	\$75,200
65% AMI	\$32,400	\$37,050	\$41,700	\$46,300	\$50,000	\$53,700	\$57,400	\$61,100
50% AMI	\$24,950	\$28,500	\$32,050	\$35,600	\$38,450	\$41,300	\$44,150	\$47,000
(effective 6	/1/15)							

A home purchase price may not exceed \$138,000 for existing homes and \$200,000 for new construction.

All figures above may be subject to change as published by HUD.

Applicants must complete a Certification Program for Home Buyers with a HUD-certified agency or one of the HUD-certified agencies listed below:

The Home Ownership Center 2820 Vernon Place Working In Neighborhoods 1814 Dreman Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45219 Cincinnati, Ohio 45223 (513) 961-2800 (513) 541-4109

Applicants up to 80% of the AMI will be eligible to receive homebuyer assistance for the purchase of an eligible house. Applicants are eligible to receive up to a maximum of \$5,000 for down payment/closing cost in the form of a forgivable loan. See the table on the following page for funding amounts.

Household Income	Maximum Amount of Assistance
66% - 80% AMI	4% of the purchase price not to exceed \$5,000
50% - 65% AMI	4.5% of the purchase price not to exceed \$5,000
At or below 49% AMI	5% of the purchase price not to exceed \$5,000

A forgivable loan is one where payments are deferred over a period of time. ADDI loans are deferred over a five-year period with 20% forgiven (not requiring repayment) each year residency is verified. Should the property be sold or transferred before the end of the defined affordability/residency period, all or a portion of the funds awarded towards the purchase of the home have to be paid back to the City. All ADDI loans are enforced by a subordinate mortgage and promissory note. It is expected that the City's mortgage filing fee will paid from ADDI funds that are awarded.

The applicants must provide all the necessary documentation for the City to completely review and process the ADDI application. The City assumes no responsibility related to the failure of any applicant to respond to documentation requests in a timely manner. It is the applicant's responsibility to see that all the required documentation is submitted to the City; it is not the City's responsibility to secure documentation for the applicant. However, the City reserves the right to obtain third party verification of employment income, child support, and any other income source or asset the City deems necessary to determine a client's overall eligibility for the ADDI Program. Funding is limited and is provided on a first come, first serve basis. The City reserves the right to terminate an applicant's pre-approval at anytime if funding is no longer available. *Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted* Allow 10-15 business days for processing.

ADDI PROGRAM GUIDELINES & REQUIREMENTS

Eligible Property & Timelines:

It is required that the applicant(s) apply for ADDI assistance so that eligibility for funds can be determined before a contract is written on an eligible home. An eligible home is defined as a single-family residence, condominium unit, cooperative unit or combination of manufactured housing and lot in the City of Cincinnati limits. See page 11 for eligible neighborhoods. Multi-family units, including two-unit dwellings are not eligible. After the City has verified the eligibility of an applicant for ADDI funds and a fully executed contract to purchase has been submitted to the City, the City will provide the buyer(s) and/or their agent with information needed to schedule a housing code inspection of the property. This inspection paid for by the City and is meant to ensure that the property meets the local housing code and is not meant to be a substitute for a whole house inspection. The applicant(s) will not be eligible for funding if the home does not pass the local housing code inspection. All program funds will be held until the identified deficiencies are remedied. There is typically a 30-day time frame to close on a home provided that the applicant's eligibility has been determined, the City receives a fully executed contract to purchase, and all ADDI program requirements are met.

Private Financing & Closing:

Applicants for the ADDI program may obtain a loan from the lending institution of their choice. The loan must meet the following underwriting criteria: No more than 31% of the borrower(s) income can be devoted to housing payment (principal, interest, taxes and insurance) and no more than 43% of income for total household debt (housing payment, car payment, credit cards, etc...). Loans may be Conventional, FHA, or VA, but must have a fixed rate and a reasonable term. Money should also be escrowed for property taxes and insurance. Adjustable Rate Mortgages (ARMs) are prohibited. Copies of the following loan documents must be submitted for review prior to closing: Loan Application, TRID Loan Estimate as amended or revised, underwriting summary, appraisal, legal description, and TRID Closing Disclosure, as amended or revised. In addition, the TRID Closing Disclosure must be made available for the City to review at least 24 hours prior to closing. Buyers are not permitted to receive cash back at closing. A City representative will bring all City closing documents and the assistance check to the closing. Completed applications should be submitted to:

Roy J. Hackworth/ADDI Program
Department of Community and Economic Development
805 Central Avenue, Suite 700, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
P: (513) 352-6119 F: (513) 352-6113
roy.hackworth@cincinnati-oh.gov

City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development American Dream Downpayment Initiative Application Packet Complete all applicable entries. Failure to supply all necessary information will delay processing of your application. All responses are confidential.

Marital Status (circle)

Date of Birth

Last Name/First Name/Middle Initial

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Multi-Race:							
Alaskan Native or American	Indian and White	Asian	and White	Black	or African Ar	nerican a	and White
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Savings & Investments-List requested information for checking, savings, certificates of deposit, mutual funds, stocks, etc. for adult members of household. If additional space is required, attach separate sheet. Do not list retirement accounts such as IRA's, 401K, etc.

Acct. in Name Of:	Name, Address & Phone # of Financial Institution	Type of Instrument (checking, savings, C.D., stock, etc.)	Account #	Balance/Value

I verify that all information provided on this application and its corresponding attachments are complete, true and correct. I understand that if information has been deemed fraudulent by the City of Cincinnati, I will be liable for repayment of City funds under Federal Regulation 24 CFR Part 28.

Applicant Signature	Date
Spouse/Co-Applicant Signature	Date

ANNUAL INCOME	Person 1	Person 2	Person 3	Person 4	Subtotal
Wages, Salaries, Tips, etc.					
2. Business Income					
3. Interest & Dividend Income					
Retirement, Insurance, Social Security Income					
5. Unemployment & Disability Income					
6. Welfare Assistance					
7. Alimony, Child Support, & Gift Income					
8. Armed Forces Income					
9. Other Income					
Total					

Instructions for Completing Income Worksheet

The income worksheet above must be completed for all adult members (18 or Older) of the household who have the types of income listed. Space has been provided on the form for up to 4 family members. If additional space is required, please photocopy the form. All entries should reflect annual amounts. For example, if your present salary is \$2,000 per month, line 1 would be \$24,000 (\$2,000 x 12). If a household member's income fluctuates; an average weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly income will be calculated by DCED for the purpose of determining that household member's anticipated gross income over the next 12 months.

Line 1 Income should include the full amount, before payroll deductions, of wages and salaries, overtime pay, and salaries, overtime pay, commissions, fees, tips and bonuses, and other compensation for personal services. Three months of pay stubs are required for each household member listed. If you anticipate a raise within the next 12 months, please include that in calculating your income. For example, if your present wage is \$10 per hour and in 6 months you anticipate a .50 increase, calculate it as follows: $$10 \times 40(hours) = $400 \times 26 \text{ (weeks)} = $10,400; $10.50 \text{ per hour } x \cdot 40(hours) = $420 \times 26 \text{ (weeks)} = $10,920; $10,400 + $10,920 = $21,320 \text{ in Annual Income.}$

Line 2 Income should include net income from the operation of a business or profession.

Line 3 Income should include interest, dividends and other net income of any kind from real or personal property. If the total cash value of all assets is \$5,000 or more, the annual income generated from the asset must be calculated. For example, if one has a 6 month average checking balance of \$6,000 in an interest bearing account using the current Passbook Rate of .02, the income generated from the checking account would be \$120 or $$6,000 \times 02 = 120).

Line 4 Income should include the full amount of periodic payments received from Social Security, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefits, and other types of periodic receipts. **Line 5 Income** should include payments in lieu of earnings, such as unemployment and disability compensation, workers comp and severance pay.

Line 6 Income should include payments from welfare assistance.

Line 7 Income should include periodic and determinable allowances, such as alimony and child support payments, and regular contributions or gifts received from organizations or from persons not residing in the dwelling. **Line 8 Income** should include all regular pay, special day and allowances of a member of the Armed Forces.

You must provide supporting documentation for each entry on the income worksheet that applies to your household. Refer to the ADDI checklist in the application packet for a list of supporting documentation required. Failure to supply adequate documentation will result in the return of your application. If ADDI funding does not occur within six months of eligibility date, the application will have to be updated.

Affidavit of No Income

To be completed by <u>each</u> adult household member claiming no income (additional copies may be made if needed)

l,	_, do hereby certify the	nat I am currently receiving
no income from any source.		
PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTION	ONS:	
	Monthly Cost	Source of Payment
Do you own an automobile? (Yes/No) Cost of insurance per month? Cost gasoline per month? Cost of maintenance per month?	If Yes: \$ \$	
Do you smoke? (Yes/No) Cost of cigarettes per month	If Yes:	
Do you have Cable/Sat. TV? (Yes/No)	If Yes: \$	
Do you have a telephone? (Yes/No)	If Yes: \$	
Cost of supplies not covered by food stamps: Paper products, cleaning supplies, etc. per month?	If Yes: \$	
Cost of utilities per month?	\$	
Cost of clothing per month?	\$	
Cost of medical expenses per month	\$	
Total Monthly Expenses	\$	
I certify that this statement is true to the best of refalse statements or information are punished unconstant.		lief. I understand that
Applicant/Household Member	 Date	

HOME Program Eligibility Release Form

City of Cincinnati Comm. & Econ. Development 805 Central Ave, Suite 700, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Ph: 513-352-6146 Fax: 513-352-6123

Purpose: Your signature on this HOME Program Eligibility Release Form, and the signatures of each member of your household who is 18 years of age or older, authorizes the above-named organization to obtain information from a third party relative to your eligibility and continued participation in the:

American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI)

Privacy Act Notice Statement: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is requiring the collection of the information derived from this form to determine an applicant's eligibility in a HOME Program and the amount of assistance necessary using HOME funds. This information will be used to establish level of benefit on the HOME Program; to protect the Government's financial interest; and to verify the accuracy of the information furnished. It may be released to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies when relevant, to civil, criminal, or regulatory investigators, and to prosecutors. Failure to provide any information may result in a delay or rejection of your eligibility approval. The Department is authorized to ask for this information by the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990.

Instructions: Each adult member of the household must sign this HOME Program Eligibility Release Form prior to the receipt of benefit and on an annual basis to establish continued eligibility. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members whenever they join the household or whenever members of the household become 18 years of age.

NOTE: THIS GENERAL CONSENT MAY NOT BE USED TO REQUEST A COPY OF A TAX RETURN. IF A COPY OF A TAX RETURN IS NEEDED, IRS FORM 4506, "REQUEST FOR COPY OF TAX FORM" MUST BE PREPARED AND SIGNED SEPARATELY.

Information Covered: Inquiries may be made about items initialed by applicant/tenant.

	Verification Required	Initials
Income (all sources)	Х	
Assets (all sources)	х	

Authorization: I authorize the above-named HOME Participating Jurisdiction and HUD to obtain information about me and my household that is pertinent to eligibility for participation in the HOME Program.

I acknowledge that:

- (1) A photocopy of this form is as valid as the original.
- (2) I have the right to review the file and the information received using this form (with a person of my choosing to accompany me).
- (3) I have the right to copy information from this file and to request correction of information I believe inaccurate.
- (4) All adult household members will sign this form and members claiming income and/or assets must initial where indicated above.

Head of Household —Signature, Printed Name, and Date: Family Member #1

Other Adult Member of the Household—Signature, Printed Name, and Date: Family Member #2

Other Adult Member of the Household—Signature, Printed Name, and Date: Family Member #4

Other Adult Member of the Household—Signature, Printed Name, and Date: Family Member #3

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City of Cincinnati Department of Community and Economic Development

American Dream Downpayment Initiative Residence Certification Form

Please list below all addr	esses where you have lived in the p	past three years	:
	From:		
Address #2:			
	From:		
	From:		
	From:		
I am claiming the status a	as a displaced homemaker (circle):	Yes	No
(unless claiming displace has not owned any of the and correct. I understan	rtification that I have not been a holed homemaker status). I, my spouse residences listed above. I verify to that if information has been de le for repayment of City funds ur	e or any co-app hat all informatio emed fraudule i	licant for this loan in provided is true int by the City of
Applicant Signature:		Date:	
Spouse/Co-applicant Sig	nature:	Date:	

Child Support Certification

All adult household members with children or without children must complete this form. Complete and sign the section that applies <u>AND</u> attach the appropriate documentation; if you do not have any children skip to Section III.

	upport and have attached a copy of my payment entation. I also certify that I currently receive port.
Signature of Applicant	Date
	ceive child support, but do not currently receive any I have attached a copy of the court order, payment entation.
Signature of Applicant	Date
SECTION III I hereby certify that I that I do not have any collinear receive such payments of any kind. Signature of Applicant	ourt order to receive child support payments nor do Date
Also, in executing this form, you grant the City information disclosed above or attached with a federal funding assistance can be determined will not be accepted and application for funding	a third party so that your eligibility to receive I. If this certification is not signed below, this form ag will be rejected. I understand that if information Cincinnati, I will be liable for repayment of City
Signature	Date
Print Name	



ADDI Application Checklist (Documents needed to complete the ADDI application)

□ A	0	cation Complete and signed by applicant and co-applicant (if applicable) Documentation of pre-qualification for a mortgage loan
☐ In	com	e Determination Worksheet
□ w	0	Statements/Pay Stubs (3 previous months/3 month equivalent) Three-month equivalent (i.e. 6 pay stubs for bi-weekly pay cycles, and 12 pay stubs for weekly pay cycles) Required for every employed household member 18 years of age or older If self employed – must submit two previous years of tax returns
□ A	0	vit of No Income (if applicable Required of all household members 18 or older claiming no income You may be required to make copies for additional household members
□в	0	Statements The past six months of all checking accounts Most recent month (one only) of all savings accounts
□ E	0	ility Release Form Requires initials by "X" of all household members 18 years of age and older that are employed, receive benefits and/or have bank account Requires signatures of <u>all</u> household members 18 years and older
□ s	0	Security/Child Support/Workers Comp. (if applicable) Award letters from the Social Security office for each person benefiting Child Support Certification form with attached documentation, if applicable Documentation exhibiting any other unearned income aside from wage statements, Social Security and Child Support
☐ L	egal	Separation document or Divorce Decree (if applicable)
		ve the right to request further documentation or obtain third party on if we deem it necessary to determine eligibility.

Eligible Cincinnati Neighborhoods

Avondale Mt. Adams
Bond Hill Mt. Airy
California Mt. Auburn
Carthage Mt. Lookout

Camp WashingtonMt. WashingtonCarthageNorth AvondaleCliftonNorth Fairmount

College Hill Northside Columbia Tusculum Oakley

Corryville Over-The-Rhine
Covedale Paddock Hills
Downtown Pendleton

East End Pleasant Ridge East Price Hill Price Hill

East Price Hill Price Hill Riverside

East Westwood Clifton Heights English Woods Roselawn

Evanston Sayler Park Fairview Sedamsville

Hartwell South Cumminsville
Hyde Park South Fairmount

Kennedy Heights Spring Grove Village Linwood University Heights

Linwood University Height Walnut Hills

Madisonville West End

Millvale West Price Hill

Westwood Winton Hills

American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI) FAQ Sheet

What is the ADDI program and what does it do?

It is a down payment assistance program that provides up to \$5,000 to be used for down payment and/or closing costs for the purchase of a home in the City of Cincinnati.

How do I get started?

You can obtain an ADDI application packet and brochure online at www.cincinnati-oh.gov or by contacting the Department of Community & Economic Development at (513) 352-6146. Incomplete applications will be returned.

Who is the ADDI program for?

The ADDI program is for first time homebuyers that have been pre-qualified for a mortgage loan and that have low to moderate household income. Please refer to ADDI application or program guide for income limits. All household income must be documented. Evidence of a mortgage pre-qualification must be submitted with the ADDI application. Please refer to the application packet or program guide for other required documentation.

I have a job where I don't receive pay stubs. Will I still have a chance to participate? If you do not receive pay stubs through your line of work. We may request tax returns to support what the income is stated to be. Ultimately, with the information received, if we are unable to adequately determine or verify income, the assumption will be made that you are over-income and approval will be denied on the basis of lacking substantial information.

Do I have to pay ADDI funds back?

ADDI funds are forgivable loans that are to be paid back **only** (in whole or in part) if the property is sold or transferred before the 5th anniversary of the closing date. Homebuyers awarded ADDI funds must maintain the property as their primary residence for five years to avoid any repayment.

How are the funds actually forgiven?

ADDI funds are forgiven at a rate of 20% annually over a five-year period considering that the homeowner maintains the property as his/her primary residence for the term of the loan.

Can I use this program to purchase a home outside of the City?

No. The City's ADDI program only supports homeownership within the City limits. If there is a question about the eligibly of a particular address, please contact the Department of Community and Economic Development for verification.

Does ADDI work with acquisition/rehab loans?

Acquisition/rehab loans are not suggested because ADDI funds will only be awarded for a house that passes a City housing code inspection.

Do I have to pay for the City inspection?

No, however, it is the homebuyer's responsibility to obtain any other inspection services associated with buying the home (i.e. whole house; termite, etc...). The City's inspection is not meant to substitute a whole house inspection

I want to refinance my house bought with ADDI funds; will the City of Cincinnati subordinate its loan?

Yes, but the City will only subordinate its loan in favor of a better rate or term for the homeowner. The City will not subordinate to consolidate debt or to "cash out". ADDI subordination guidelines are listed in the Program manual.

Am I allowed to receive cash back at closing?

No. ADDI participants are not allowed to receive cash back at closing. Any potential cash back can be used for a principal reduction or other closing costs. If this cannot be accomplished, the refund amount will have to be deducted from the ADDI funds.

How long does the process take to receive funding?

Contingent on meeting all ADDI requirements, it can take anywhere from 30-45 days to have a check released after the City receives a copy of the fully executed purchase contract. Please take this into consideration when setting a closing date.

I already have a purchase contract on a house and a friend just told me about the ADDI program; can I still apply?

No. If you are seeking down payment assistance you must apply and be approved for participation in the ADDI program prior to signing a contract to purchase.

How long is the ADDI approval letter valid?

An applicant has 90 days to present to the City a fully executed contract to purchase before the approval letter expires. One 45-day extension can be requested in writing if this deadline cannot be met. If a purchase contract is received, but a closing is not held within **6 months** of the date of the initial ADDI approval letter, the applicant will be required to reapply so the City can verify continued eligibility.

Do I have to participate in homebuyer counseling?

Yes. It is required that you complete HUD-certified homebuyer counseling in order to receive funding. Certificates older than 18 months will not be honored. Refer to the program manual for a list of acceptable agencies offering counseling.

Do you provide a list of lenders or realtors?

It is left to the discretion of the applicant to choose a lender and realtor that is suitable and willing to work with them and within the ADDI guidelines.

Does the ADDI Program work with FHA and conventional loans?

Yes, but with any loan, we reserve the right to deny or terminate eligibility if the loan is suspected to be subprime or does not meet our debt-to-income requirements (31%/43%). Adjustable Rate Mortgages (ARMs) are not permitted.

Can ADDI be used with other assistance programs?

Yes, however all ADDI requirements will still have to be met and you must notify the City of the program in question and the City will determine whether ADDI can be used in conjunction.

I am separated; do I still have to include my separated spouse on the ADDI application? Yes, separated couples will be treated as married couples there is a legal separation agreement or an actual divorce decree.

Are non-occupying co-borrowers/co-signers permitted if I cannot obtain financing by myself?

The ADDI applicant(s) must be able to afford the mortgage on their income only. Non-occupying co-borrowers are permitted only if the lender is using the co-borrower as added security. This can be in the case of insufficient credit and/or short or sporadic work history. Applicants whose monthly income cannot support a monthly mortgage cannot utilize a non-occupying co-borrower for the sake of securing financing in order to receive ADDI funds. Non-occupying co-borrowers are <u>not</u> permitted to be on the deed at purchase.