## Own a Home Opportunity Grant Program (Broward, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Lee, Palm Beach, Sarasota, St. Johns, and Volusia Counties)

## Homebuyer Education

Any party appearing on the Note must complete a Program-approved pre-purchase homebuyer education course even if the borrower(s) is a Veteran or purchasing in a Targeted Area. The HFA will accept face-to-face homebuyer education if provided by a HUD approved counseling agency, a unit of local government that provides pre-purchase homebuyer education in FL, or a counseling agency designated by a unit of local government to provide homebuyer education on their behalf. Refer to HUD link below for a list of approved education providers by county. Online HBE is permitted if provided by a HUD approved agency, a unit of local government that provides pre-purchase homebuyer education in FL, a mortgage insurance provider, or an Agency or GSE sponsored course. (Rev 02/24/23)

Homebuyer education provided over the phone or by the lender is NOT acceptable.

Certificates of completion are acceptable for 2 years from the date of completion.

Helpful links to provide to homebuyers:

## Approved Face-to-Face education providers:

Face to face from a <u>HUD approved education provider</u>

## Approved Online education providers:

- Online education from eHomeAmerica www.eHomeAmerica.org
- Freddie Mac Credit Smart <u>http://www.freddiemac.com/creditsmart/tutorial.html</u>
- HomeTREK online education: <u>https://www.hometrek.org</u>
- Framework Online Homebuyer Education: <a href="https://hpn.frameworkhomeownership.org">https://hpn.frameworkhomeownership.org</a>
- Online education from MGIC English https://homebuyers.mgic.com
  Spanish: https://compradoresdecasa.mgic.com