Shopping for a Home

Homebuyer checklist

If you're ready to start looking for a home, you can use this checklist to keep track of home features that are must-haves and ones that are nice-to-haves as well as to take notes for different houses you look at. Print out as many as you need, and don't forget to take pictures at your viewing.

Home address:		
Notes:		
Type of home	Inside features	
Single-family detached Condo Townhome	Family room Eat-in kitchen Formal dining room	# of bedrooms # of full bathrooms # of half bathrooms
Manufactured home New construction Other	Formal living room Open floor plan Office space	Flooring type hardwood
	Finished basement Unfinished basement Walk-in closets Laundry closet/room	carpet tile linoleum

Outside features	Location	
Deck	Distance to schools	
Patio	Distance to parks	
Covered porch		
Screened porch	Distance to work	
Garage	Distance to shopping	
Driveway	Public transit availability Reliable cellphone coverage Internet/cable TV hookups	
Yard		
Pool		
Ramp	internet/cable 17 hookups	
In-ground sprinkler system		
Fence		
	Additional info	
Amenities	Age of home	
Updated kitchen appliances Water heater Washer/dryer Central air Forced air Gas heat Electric heat Fireplace (Gas or wood burning) Kitchen pantry	Length of time on the market Reason house is for sale	
	Average utility costs per month Monthly HOA/condo/coop fees (if applicable)	

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