

10 Tips For Buying a Home in Chicago

If you're looking to buy a home in Chicago, here are the pieces of advice you need to know before you begin your search.

- Get pre-approved by a mortgage lender

- Put aside more money than you expect for a down payment and closing costs

- Strengthen your credit score so you get the absolute best rate

- Familiarize yourself with your target neighborhood's market

- Attend open houses in your target neighborhood(s)

- Determine what your absolute deal breakers are

- Think of what criteria you can be flexible on

- Know your timeline for buying

- Determine scenarios if you find a place earlier or later than expected

- Sit down with a licensed realtor and begin the search!
