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# How to Finance Your Next Property Purchase



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#### Let's Grow Your Property Management Empire

- We'll discuss:
  - Whether or not you should purchase property now, given the economy
  - How to find a lender who meets your needs
  - An overview of six financing options



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### **Should You Purchase Property Right Now?**

- Yes, if:
  - You're not going to be reliant on cash flow from the property immediately
  - You're looking at your next purchase as a long-term investment
  - You don't have too much hard debt, such as high interest credit card debt



### Why Invest Now?

- 1. Housing is a basic need
- 2. Residential real estate is typically a stable investment
- 3. Current economic conditions aren't the same as the dot-com bubble burst



#### How to Find a Lender Who Meets Your Needs

- Think beyond the interest rate
- Use your network
- Flying solo? Google is your new best friend
  - Look up local lenders, then hone in on five to six top candidates
  - Test their responsiveness over the course of a month
  - Work with the lender who supports you, responds quickly, and offers the type of financing you're seeking

**PRO TIP:** Your goal is to find a lender with whom you can be completely transparent - so don't underestimate the importance of getting to know them on a professional level!

### **Big Banks vs. Community Banks**

- Perks of working with a community bank:
  - They're better suited to provide that crucial personal touch
  - If you received an interest sheet with better rates from a big bank, bring it in! They'll work with you to secure the best rate they can offer
  - Community banks typically offer quicker closing time frames, which is important for serious investors



# **Portfolio Expanding Tips for Landlords**

- Newer landlords:
  - Don't be afraid to ask for help!
- More experienced landlords:
  - Now is the time to diversify your portfolio, but stick to the must-haves from your buy box
  - Consider pursuing smaller commercial, multifamily, fix-and-flip, etc.

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# **Financing Your Next Property Purchase**

- Financing multiple properties presents more of a challenge than financing a single property, but don't be intimidated!
- Make yourself an ideal lendee
  - Have debt?
    - Pay off high-interest debt to maximize your financing abilities
  - Check your credit score
    - Most lenders require a credit score in the high 600s or better for a 10% down payment
  - Speak to your lender (and ask plenty of questions)



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#### **Down Payment Options**

- If you need to rustle up a down payment, why not tap into your primary residence's equity?
  - Home equity loan
  - Home equity line of credit (HELOC)
  - Cash-out refinance

**Strategy One** 

# **Traditional Mortgage**

- Most common strategy for those looking to finance up to four properties
- Requires:
  - Good credit
  - A sizable down payment (typically 10-20%)
  - A proven history of investment property performance



#### **Strategy Two**

# Freddie Mac's Investment Property Mortgage Program

- Intended for investors who need <u>customized home financing options</u>, you'll have to meet specific criteria to secure this flexible financing:
  - No more than 10 1 4-unit properties
  - Minimum credit score of 720 for borrowers with more than six financed properties
  - 15% down payment for 1-unit properties
  - 25% down payment for 2 4-unit properties
  - Six months' reserves for each property
  - Maximum debt-to-income ratio of 45%
  - Gift funds and grants can't be included
  - Must be an eligible fixed-rate, level payment mortgage or a 7/1, 10/1, 7/6-month, or 10/6-month adjustable rate mortgage
  - Must use a Loan Product Advisor or manually underwritten mortgage
  - The borrower can't be affiliated with or related to the builder, developer, or property seller for newly constructed homes



# Fannie Mae's 5 – 10 Properties Program

- Could help you finance <u>up to 10 properties at a time</u>, but it's not widely offered
- Also has strict qualifications, including:
  - Minimum credit score of 720
  - 25% down payment for 1-unit properties
  - 30% down payment for 2 4-unit properties
  - Six months' reserves for each loan
  - No delinquencies of 30 days or greater within the past 12 months on any mortgage loan
  - No bankruptcies or foreclosure within the past seven years
  - Submission of two years of federal income tax returns

#### **Strategy Four**

### **Portfolio Loan**

- Similar to a traditional mortgage, but your bank will hold the loan in their portfolio for the life of the loan
- Expect:
  - An interest rate that's <u>2-4% higher</u> <u>than current market rates</u>
  - Higher closing costs (3-4% of mortgage)
  - More forgiving credit, down payment, and debt-to-income ratio requirements



**PRO TIP:** This type of loan is hard to find! It's usually used to reward long-term customers that have proven to be trustworthy borrowers, according to <u>Rocket Mortgage</u>.

#### **Strategy Five**

# **Bridge Loan**

- Short-term loan that allows the collateral to be the projected value of the rehabbed property
- Two types:
  - **After repair value (ARV):** best for properties that will increase in value by as much as 50-100%
  - Loan to cost ratio (LTC): best for properties that are expected to earn a profit upon sale, but aren't projected to sell at 50-100% profit margin

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### 1031 Tax Exchange

- Defined by <u>Rocket Mortgage</u> as "a real estate investing tool that allows you to swap out an investment property for another and defer gains, losses, or capital gains tax that you'd otherwise have to pay at the time of sale"
- Many requirements, including:
  - The property you're selling and the property you're buying must be "like-kind"
  - Must work with a qualified intermediary who will hold your funds in escrow until the exchange is complete
  - Following a strict timeline

#### If You're Ready, Take the Plunge!

- Find a lender who's supportive, responsive, and knows the industry
- Ask plenty of questions to find the best strategy for your unique situation
- Expand your portfolio with confidence!
- Sources:

BiggerPocketsFortune.comUSNewsRe-leasedBank RateFind My Way HomeLendingOneRocket Mortgage





Ask us about:

- Questions to ask prospective lenders
- The benefits of working with community banks
- General underwriting criteria
- Portfolio loans

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