# THE BUYING PROCESS

## I. BUYER/AGENT MEETING

- A. Discuss Agency/Representation
  - 1. Agency Relationships Disclosure
- B. Gather Wants & Needs Information
  - 1. Buyer Questionnaire
  - 2. Buyer Need, Want, Wish Survey
- C. Discuss Type of Sale Desired & Process
  - 1. Traditional Sale, REO, (Lender Owned), Short Sale

#### II. MORTGAGE APPLICATION

- A. Discuss Financing Needs
- B. Refer to Loan Officer
- C. Pre-approval Letter

## III. THE SEARCH BEGINS

- A. Set Up Auto Email MLS Search For Listings That Meet Buyer's Criteria
- B. Schedule Showings For Properties of Interest.
- C. Compare Each Home To Buyer's "Wants & Needs"
- D. Narrow Down The Field
- E. Select The Best Property

## IV. WRITE / PRESENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT

- A. Determine Offering Price, Closing Date, Terms, Etc.
- B. Negotiate With Sellers/Agents (Potential Counteroffers)
- C. Final Acceptance of Purchase Agreement

#### V. HOME INSPECTION & APPRAISAL

- A. Schedule Home Inspection With Certified Home Inspector, Discuss Any Concerns With Inspector
- B. Negotiate Remedies, If Any, With Sellers/Agents
- C. Remove Inspection Contingency
- D. Have Lender Schedule Appraisal

#### VI. WAITING FOR CLOSING

- A. Be Patient and Reply Promptly With Any Lender Requirements!!
- B. Shop for Home Owners Insurance
- C. Contact Utility Companies
- D. Order Moving Van

## VII. PRE-CLOSING WALK-THROUGH & PRELIM HUD-1 REVIEW

- A. Make Sure All Required Work Is Complete
- B. Make Sure All Personal Property Agreed To Is Left In The Property
- C. Make Sure There Are No Last Minute Surprises Or Problems
- D. Review Preliminary HUD-1 Settlement Statement For Accuracy

## VIII. CLOSING

A. Sign, Sign, CONGRATULATIONS! You Are A New Homeowner!