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# HOMEOWNERSHIP & FORECLOSURE COUNSELING

- Pre-purchase counseling for first-time homebuyers
- General credit and debt counseling
- Home improvement counseling
- Crisis/foreclosure prevention counseling
- Predatory lending counseling for victims of fraud

Call NJCA at 1-800-NJ OWNER (1-800-656-9637) or visit us online at <u>www.njcitizenaction.org</u>

## NJCA'S HOMEOWNERSHIP COUNSELING PROGRAM

#### NJCA Counselors will meet with you to discuss:

- How to repair your credit
- How to make a decision to purchase a home
- → How to set up a personal budget for you & your family
- How much you can afford to pay for your house
- How to find the right mortgage at a discounted interest rate
- How to manage issue that may arise during home ownership

#### **New Jersey Citizen Action provides:**

Free one-on-one personal counseling

Extensive counseling to get you ready for the mortgage process

Information on and access to affordable mortgage products and downpayment assistance

Assistance in making mortgage applications

An advocate to assist you through the homebuying process

### **Counseling Center locations:**

**Cherry Hill** 

**Highland Park** 

Rahway

Newark

**Passaic** 

**Jersey City** 

### What do I bring to my appointment?

- Income documentation: last three pay stubs
- Monthly expenses: all credit cards, personal loans, car loans, etc. all payments which you make each month.
- Last three bank statements for all savings or checking accounts
- Last two-year's tax returns W2's and 1040's
- Social security numbers for all applicants
- Credit report fee for all applicants (if applicable)

New Jersey Citizen Action (NJCA) is a statewide nonprofit organization that educates and mobilizes individuals and families around social, racial and economic justice issues, using a combination of issue advocacy, organizing and free financial services.

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Each year, Citizen Action serves over 13,000 individuals and families across the state, providing free HUD-certified homeownership counseling, tax preparation, financial education, financial coaching, fair housing education, outreach & testing, and one-on-one healthcare enrollment assistance.