

## **Approved Homebuyer Education**

Completion of <u>eight hours of homebuyer education</u> is a requirement of the NeighborhoodLIFT and Project Reinvest Down Payment Assistance Programs.

Homebuyer education can be completed in one of the two options listed below:

- 1. <u>In Person</u> Pre-Purchase Homebuyer Education Workshop, (minimum of six hours), through a HUD-approved and National Industry Standards adopter agency (see list below) <u>AND</u>
  - **a** Two-hour, in person, one-on-one education session with a HUD Approved counselor (see list below); OR
  - **b** Two Hour online **Preparing for Homeownership** course (instructions provided on next page);

### OR

2. Online - Make Your Move, contact GROW South Dakota to register, info@growsd.org.

Agency	#1 - In Person Homebuyer Education Workshop (6 hr)	#1 a In Person One on One Education Session (2 hr)
Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership		
111 N Van Eps Avenue		Х
Madison, SD 57042		^
<u>www.interlakescap.com</u>		
Lutheran Social Services of SD		
701 East 41 Street Suite 100	х	х
Sioux Falls, SD 57105		
www.LssSD.org		
James Valley Housing, Inc.		
145 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street, SW	x	х
Huron, SD 57350		
www.jamesvalleyhousing.og		
NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources		
795 Main Street, Deadwood, SD 57732	x	х
330 E Anamosa Street, Rapid City, SD 57701		
www.neighborworksdhr.org		
Sioux Empire Housing Partnership	х	х
200 N Phillips Avenue		
Sioux Falls, SD 57104		
www.siouxempirehousing.org		



# Preparing for Homeownership

#### **Additional Two-Hour Homebuyer Education Course**

The NeighborhoodLIFT® and Project Reinvest Down Payment Assistance programs requires successful completion of eight hours of homebuyer education. Homebuyer education workshops that are six hours MUST be paired with the Preparing for Homeownership course to meet the requirements of the NeighborhoodLIFT and Project Reinvest programs. Please follow the steps below to sign up and complete the two- hour online course. The cost of this course is \$5.00.

## STOP! Only proceed if you have you taken a <u>six hour in person</u> Homebuyer Education Workshop.

- 2 Visit https://growsd.digitalchalk.com
- 3 Click the "Create Account" button.
- 4 Enter your First Name, Last Name and Email Address.
- 5 Create a password. The password must contain letters and numbers and be at least 6 characters in length.
- 6 Agree to the term of use. You can agree by clicking the check box next to "I agree to the terms of use".
- 7 Once you have registered you will be taken to the "Dashboard" screen. Go to the top right hand side of the screen and click the "Catalog" tab.
- 8 You will now be taken to the Catalog. This is where you will find the "Preparing for Homeownership" course.
- 9 Click the "Add to Cart" button.
- 10 Now the course has been added to your cart. Go to the top right of your screen and click the green shopping cart button.
- 11 You are now in your shopping cart and can pay for your course.
- 12 Click the green "Checkout" button.
- 13 Enter your credit card information required on the screen and click the green "Checkout" button.
- 14 Next, you should be taken back to the Dashboard page of your account. Click on the title of the course "Preparing for Homeownership" and begin taking the self-paced course.
- 15 Note there is no audio on the presentation. Read through the slides and take notes if necessary. You will complete a 30 question quiz upon completion of the course. You must obtain a score of 70% or higher to receive a certificate of completion for the course. A certificate of completion is required to close with NeighborhoodLIFT program funds.
- 16 If you need to take a break while taking this course, feel free. You can log back into your account at any time and pick up where you left off.