

Dane County Down Payment Assistance Programs								
2026 Household Income Limits – Dane County ONLY (Effective 06/01/2026*)								
Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income Limit	\$74,800	\$85,450	\$96,150	\$106,800	\$115,350	\$123,900	\$132,450	\$141,000
NOTE: Income limits vary by County. Above income limits are for Dane County only.								

Program	Who	Amount	For what	Where	Repayment	Income	\$ required from buyer	Other
Home-Buy the American Dream ****	City of Madison: 608-266-6520 Terri: 608-266-4223 homeloans@cityofmadison.com	≤35,000	Down payment and closing costs	City of Madison	Sell, non-owner occupy, cash-out refi for other than home improvement. Shared appreciation loan. 0% interest deferred	Income limits above.	1% of purchase price	Min housing-to- income ratio 25%. Max 38/55%. Max liquid assets after closing <12 mo PITI, case-by-case exception if no traditional retirement svgs. HUD approved education & counseling. HQS/LBP inspect.
Dane County CDBG ***	Movin' Out 608-251-4446 x7	≤32,000	Down payment and closing costs	Dane County excluding City of Madison	0% deferred loan	Income limits above.	\$500 own funds	Min housing-to income ratio 25%. Max 38/55%. <12 mo PITI cash reserves. No disability necessary. HQS, LBP & 3rd party inspection.
Down Payment Plus **	FHLBank Chicago: dpp@fhlbc.com Homebuyers contact participating lenders	Max \$10,000	Down payment, closing costs, and rehab	All Wis. counties through any participating FHLBC member institution	5-year forgivable grant	Households ≤80% AMI. Income limits vary by County. Above limits for Dane County only.	\$1,000 own funds (net) minimum	Up to \$500 towards homebuyer education/ counseling. Cash back at closing cannot exceed \$250. No expiration on education/ counseling certs, unless otherwise indicated.
HBRT DPA	Home Buyers Round Table of Dane County homebuyersroundtable@gmail.com	\$500	Down payment and closing costs	Dane County	None	Income limits above.	None	No inspection. Limited # of grants available.
Progressive UpPayment Program	Urban League of Greater Madison (ULGM)	Up to \$5,000	Down payment and closing costs	Dane County and surrounding area	None	Income limits above.	None	Must have completed homebuyer education & counseling through ULGM.

All Down Payment Assistance is first come, first funded.	
<i>Most programs require first time homebuyer status defined as an individual who has not owned a principal residence in the past 3 years.</i>	
*Income limits change annually. **Do not have to be 1st time homebuyer ***Education cert good for 12 months ****Education cert good for 18 months	
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Movin’ Out programs below are for households that include a member with a permanent disability.								
Movin’ Out Madison Home (cannot be used with Home-Buy the American Dream) ****	Movin’ Out 608-251-4446 x7	Up to \$75,000	Down payment and closing costs	City of Madison	Repay principal and equity share at resale	Income limits above.	1% own funds	Only to households with family member with permanent disability. Work directly with Movin’ Out. HQS , lead & 3rd party inspection.
Movin’ Out Dane Co. CDBG ***		≤32,000	Down payment and closing costs	Dane County excluding City of Madison	0% deferred loan	Income limits above.	\$500 own funds	
Movin’ Out HCRI ****		Max \$10,000	Down payment and closing costs	Wisconsin		80% CMI	\$500-\$1,000	3 rd party inspection
Movin’ Out HHR ****		\$500	Down payment and closing costs	Wisconsin (excludes City of Madison and Dane County)		80% CMI	\$500-\$1,000	HQS, 3 rd party, lead & radon inspection.
WHEDA – Different (Higher Income Limits)								
Program	Who	Amount	For what	Where	Repayment	Income	\$ required from buyer	Other
WHEDA Easy Close Advantage **	Homebuyers: Home Buyers WHEDA	Min loan\$1,000 Up to 6% of purchase price for both Conventional & FHA; all allowable property types.	Down payment, closing costs, and/or single premium paid mortgage insurance.	Wisconsin	10-year term fixed-rate closed at same rate as 1 st mortgage.	https://www.wheda.com/globalassets/documents/mortgage-lending/wheda-income-amp-loan-limits---current.pdf	None on a single-family home, warrantable condo & double wide manufactured; 3% on a 2-4 unit.	Monthly payment required and must be used with WHEDA first mortgage. No inspection.
WHEDA Capital Access *	Lenders: Lender Toolkit WHEDA	\$7,500 regardless of purchase price. Conventional & FHA; all allowable property types.			30-year term, 0% interest with no monthly payment. Paid off when the 1 st mortgage is paid in full. Separate and lower income and purchase price limits.	https://www.wheda.com/globalassets/documents/mortgage-lending/capital-access/capital-access-income-and-purchase-price-limits.pdf		No monthly payment and must be used with WHEDA first mortgage. No inspection.

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