

HOME BUYER EDUCATION PROVIDERS

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Partial List of Online Providers:

This is a partial list of “HUD approved” Online Providers who will issue a certificate upon completion. This training should be completed before the loan is reserved with Florida Housing.

Provider	Link (all online providers off the class in Spanish)
Arch MI (Balance)	https://www.housingeducation.org/pathways
eHomeAmerica	https://www.ehomeamerica.org/
Essent MI*	https://www.finallyhome.org/en/partners/essent/
Fannie Mae	https://homeready.frameworkhomeownership.org/
Freddie Mac	https://creditsmart.freddiemac.com/paths/homebuyer-u
HUD*	https://www.hometrek.org/homebuyer-education/
MGIC*	https://www.finallyhome.org/en/partners/mgic/
or Any HUD Approved Counseling Course	
or National Industry Standards for Homeownership Education and Counseling	

Florida Housing does not endorse any of the providers but only gives this as a tool for loan officers to quickly find providers. Links may not be current due to consistent changes with web pages. *Some of these Online Providers charge fees to obtain access to these courses. Florida Housing doesn’t pay these fees or reimburse these fees.