

## Buying a Home?



For most families, buying a home is the largest purchase they will make, and it can be a rather intimidating and complex process. As REALTORS®, we will work for you, to not only find your dream home, but also get it for the best price.

We can help you determine if this is a good time to buy, particularly if you're looking at a shorter term investment or an income producing property. If you're buying as a long-term investment, and long-term enjoyment, short-term fluctuations in the market should not affect your goals. Whatever your goals, we can help you find a home that meets the needs of you and your family.

To help us find the right kind of home, in a neighbourhood that works for you, take a moment to reflect on your lifestyle.

### What type of home suits your lifestyle?

**Single-family detached** homes are not attached to the home next door. They come in various styles: single storey, suburban bungalow, to a three storey Victorian.

**Semi-detached, or linked**, homes are single family dwellings built as one of a pair, that share a common wall. They have become increasingly popular over the past few decades because they are more cost-effective than single-family detached.

**Duplexes** are buildings zoned for two households, with separate entrances. They differ from semi-detached because they are both on one property.

**Townhouses** — also known as row houses — are constructed in a common style, and are joined in a row. With the exception of end units, they share walls on both sides.

**Condos** (condominiums) allow you to own 100% of your unit while sharing common areas and amenities. Common areas include electrical and plumbing, the lobby, hallways and elevators. They may also include party rooms and decks, a gym and doorman.

### What kind of neighbourhood do you want?

**Urban** prices tend to be higher, but the city provides the widest range of real estate options. You are usually within walking distance of restaurants, parks, shopping and maybe even work.

**Suburban** areas are usually growing, and will typically offer newer schools, more recreational facilities and options, modern shopping centres, the latest amenities, larger homes and bigger yards. Many people consider the the suburbs to be ideal for raising a family, and will willingly make the commute into the city, if that's what their careers require.

**Small cities and towns** can provide most of the same conveniences and amenities as the larger city hubs, with great employment and business opportunities, but with more attractive home prices.

**Rural** areas are outstanding for homeowners who want to own some land; perhaps for a hobby farm, a large shop out back or to support their love of horses. The seclusion of rural living isn't for everyone, but for others, it can be ideal.

### Let us help you find your dream home

Tell us what you're looking for, and we'll get back to you with listings that best suit your needs.

**Name \***

First Last

**Email \*** Phone

Address City

**Preferred method of contact**

Phone  Email  Either is fine

**Type of property**

Single family home  Condo / townhouse  Income property

**Min. bedrooms** **Min. bathrooms** **Min. square footage**

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**Price range**

\$0 to \$99,000

**Additional notes**

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