

## **Making Sense of Mortgage Acronyms**

| ACRONYM | WHAT IT STANDS FOR                         | ACRONYM | WHAT IT STANDS FOR  |
|---------|--|---------|---|
| АМІ     | Area Median Income                         | IBTS    | Institute for Building Technology and Safety                                |
| ARM     | Adjustable-Rate Mortgage                   | IEAD    | Initial Escrow Account Disclosure   |
| AUS     | Automated Underwriting System              | JBA     | Joint Bank Account  |
| CAIVRS  | Credit Alert Verification Reporting System | LE      | Loan Estimate   |
| CCA     | Credit Card Authorization                  | LOX     | Letter of Explanation   |
| CD      | Closing Disclosure                         | LP      | Freddie Underwriting System   |
| CLL     | Conforming Loan Limit                      | LTV     | Loan-to-Value Ratio**   |
| CLTV    | Combined Loan to Value                     | МІ      | Mortgage Insurance  |
| сос     | Change of Circumstance                     | NCHFA   | North Carolina Housing Finance Authority (provides down-payment assistance) |
| DD      | Due Diligence                              | NOI     | Notice of Incompleteness  |
| DPA     | Down Payment Assistance                    | NOV     | Notice of Value   |
| DTI     | Debt-to-Income Ratio*                      | NPS     | Non-Purchasing Spouse   |
| DU      | Fannie Underwriting System                 | PITI    | Principle, Interest, Taxes, Insurance                                       |
| EMD     | Earnest Money Deposit                      | PITIA   | Principle, Interest, Taxes, Insurance, Association                          |
| EOI     | Evidence of Insurance                      | PIW     | Property Inspection Waiver (Appraisal Waiver)                               |
| FHA     | Federal Housing Administration             | PMI     | Private Mortgage Insurance  |
| FHLMC   | Freddie Mac                                | POC     | Paid Outside of Closing   |
| FNMA    | Fannie Mae                                 | PUD     | Planned Unit Development  |
| FPL     | First Payment Letter                       | PVE     | Pricing Variance Exception  |
| GMI     | Gross Monthly Income                       | RCE     | Replacement Cost Estimator  |
| GUS     | Guaranteed Underwriting Service            | VOD     | Verification of Deposit   |
| НВЕ     | Home Buyer Education                       | VOE     | Verification of Employment  |
| HELOC   | Home Equity Line of Credit                 | VOM     | Verification of Mortgage  |
|         |  | WVOE    | Written Verification of Employment  |







