## Live in the Payment not the Price

National trends suggest that already historicallylow mortgage rates will either drop or remain the same for the rest of 2019. A small $0.5 \%$ increase in rates can add hundreds to your monthly payment, reducing your purchasing power. If you've been thinking about buying a home, you'll want to act now while rates are low.

Learn how these seemingly minor changes can significantly impact your monthly payment.

- About 55\% of buyers and 72\% of first-time buyers put less than 6\% down on their home.

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A fee lenders tack onto conventional loans as a means of protection in case the borrower defaults on a loan.

The cost ranges from .55\% to $2.25 \%$ of your original loan amount per year, and can be divided up and added to your monthly mortgage payment.

## Example 1

Home Purchase Amount:

## \$300,000*

5\% Down Payment:

## \$15,000

| Interest Rate | Payment <br> (Plus PMI) | Payment <br> (PMI Paid Off) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4.50 \%$ | $\$ 1,681.55$ | $\$ 1,444.05$ |
| $4.25 \%$ | $\$ 1,639.53$ | $\$ 1,402.03$ |
| $4.00 \%$ | $\$ 1,598.13$ | $\$ 1,360.63$ |
| $3.75 \%$ | $\$ 1,557.38$ | $\$ 1,319.88$ |
| $3.50 \%$ | $\$ 1,517.28$ | $\$ 1,279.78$ |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$61,751.78
(Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)
Loan Amount:

## \$285,000

PMI:
1\%

| Interest Rate | Payment <br> (Plus PMI) | Payment <br> (PMI Paid Off) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4.00 \%$ | $\$ 2,345.61$ | $\$ 2,108.11$ |
| $3.75 \%$ | $\$ 2,310.08$ | $\$ 2,072.58$ |
| $3.50 \%$ | $\$ 2,274.92$ | $\$ 2,037.42$ |
| $3.25 \%$ | $\$ 2,240.11$ | $\$ 2,002.61$ |
| $3.00 \%$ | $\$ 2,205.66$ | $\$ 1,968.16$ |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$25,666.53
(Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)

## Example 2

Home Purchase Amount:

## \$300,000

20\% Down Payment:
\$60,000

|  | Interest Rate | Payment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 4.50\% | \$1,216.04 |
|  | 4.25\% | \$1,180.66 |
|  | 4.00\% | \$1,145.80 |
|  | 3.75\% | \$1,111.48 |
|  | 3.50\% | \$1,077.71 |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$49,802
(Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)
Loan Amount:

## \$240,000

PMI:
None required


## Example 3

Home Purchase Amount:

## \$450,000

5\% Down Payment:

## \$22,500

| Interest Rate | Payment <br> (Plus PMI) | Payment <br> (PMI Paid Off) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4.50 \%$ | $\$ 2,522.33$ | $\$ 2,166.08$ |
| $4.25 \%$ | $\$ 2,459.29$ | $\$ 2,103.04$ |
| $4.00 \%$ | $\$ 2,397.20$ | $\$ 2,040.95$ |
| $3.75 \%$ | $\$ 2,336.07$ | $\$ 1,979.82$ |
| $3.50 \%$ | $\$ 2,275.92$ | $\$ 1,919.67$ |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$87,627.67
(Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)
Loan Amount:
\$427,500
PMI:
1\%

| Interest Rate | Payment <br> (Plus PMI) | Payment <br> (PMI Paid Off) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4.00 \%$ | $\$ 3,518.42$ | $\$ 3,162.17$ |
| $3.75 \%$ | $\$ 3,465.13$ | $\$ 3,108.88$ |
| $3.50 \%$ | $\$ 3,412.37$ | $\$ 3,056.12$ |
| $3.25 \%$ | $\$ 3,360.16$ | $\$ 3,003.91$ |
| $3.00 \%$ | $\$ 3,308.49$ | $\$ 2,952.24$ |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$38,499.79
(Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)

## Example 4

Home Purchase Amount:

## \$450,000

20\% Down Payment:
\$90,000

|  | Interest Rate | Payment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 4.50\% | \$1,824.07 |
|  | 4.25\% | \$1,770.98 |
|  | 4.00\% | \$1,718.70 |
|  | 3.75\% | \$1,667.22 |
|  | 3.50\% | \$1,616.56 |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$74,702.24 (Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)

|  | Interest Rate | Payment |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4.00 \%$ | $\$ 2,662.88$ |  |
|  | $3.75 \%$ | $\$ 2,618.00$ |
|  | $3.50 \%$ | $\$ 2,573.58$ |

Total Savings with Lowest Rate: \$31,820.88 (Difference between total payment for the highest and lowest rates)


## What's Your Purchasing Power?

Mortgage rates are an important factor in your home-buying process. Keep current with the national conversation on changing rates and where they are headed. If you've been thinking of buying your first home, upgrading to a larger home or even picking up a second property, you'll want to act while rates are low. Contact me for a referral to a trusted professional to help you determine how these low rates might improve your purchasing power.

