# **First-Time Homebuyer FAQs**

Dear Homebuyer,

Welcome to the exciting journey of homeownership! Below are some frequently asked questions to guide you through the process:

## 1. What is the first step in buying a home?

The first step is to get pre-approved for a mortgage. This will help you understand your budget and show sellers that you are a serious buyer.

## 2. How much money do I need for a down payment?

Traditionally, a 20% down payment is recommended, but many loan programs allow for as little as 3% down.

### 3. What are closing costs?

Closing costs are fees associated with finalizing your mortgage, typically ranging from 2% to 5% of the home's purchase price.

## 4. How long does the home buying process take?

The home buying process can take anywhere from a few weeks to several months, depending on various factors.

#### 5. What is a home inspection, and is it necessary?

A home inspection evaluates the condition of the property. It's highly recommended to identify any potential issues before purchase.

If you have any further questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Best regards, Your Real Estate Agent