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# Military Families Transitioning to Civilian Life



### Buying a home



### Consider your mortgage choices

VA loans are the most popular mortgage choice for veterans, but they aren't the only option.

- VA loans: benefits.va.gov/homeloans
- FHA loans: HUD.gov
- FHA 203(k) loans: HUD.gov
- Other government loans: govloans.gov or HUD.gov

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#### Assistance programs



#### Local agencies and nonprofits



Employer programs



Mortgage tax credit certificates



Homebuyer education (HBE)

## Eligibility for assistance may depend on:

- Type of mortgage
- Property location
- Steady source of income
- Savings for down payment
- Good credit



#### How VA home loans work

- They have specific eligibility requirements.
- Potential benefits include:
  - Lower interest rates
  - No down payment
  - No mortgage insurance required
- You'll need to pay the appraisal fee and funding fee.
- They can take longer to process than traditional mortgages.

How VA Home Loans Work		

Visit benefits.va.gov/homeloans for more information.





#### Key takeaways

VA loans can offer lower interest rates, low or no down payment and no mortgage insurance required.

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In addition to VA loans, there are other mortgage options available. Determine which options and assistance programs you're eligible for. 4

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#### Conclusion



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