

# Did you know, creating a savings account to buy a home can help reduce your taxes?

Oregon's First-time Home Buyer Savings Account law allows residents to save money for first-time home ownership and may reduce your Oregon tax liability.



## Who's eligible?

Any Oregon resident who hasn't purchased or owned a single-family home, either individually or jointly, in the three years prior to the date of their planned purchase of a new home in Oregon.

## What's the benefit?

As an individual, you may deduct up to \$5,000 from your Oregon taxable income for deposits and earnings in a First-Time Home Buyer Savings Account each year, for a maximum of 10 years. For those filing jointly, the deduction can be up to \$10,000 per year.

## What can you spend your First-time Home Buyer Savings Account on?

- Down payment.
- Closing costs.
- Realtor fees.
- Appraisal costs.
- Loan Origination fees.

For more information and detailed requirements, visit our website at [www.oregon.gov/dor](http://www.oregon.gov/dor).



955 Center St NE, Salem OR 97301

## What are the requirements?

A First Time Home Buyer Savings Account can be opened anytime between January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2026. Money deposited in the First-time Home Buyer Savings Account must be used to buy a single-family home within 10 years of initially opening the account. If funds are not used to purchase a home, a five percent penalty may be imposed, and you will be required to add back to your income any amounts previously deducted.

## Where can you set up an account?

Any financial institution that offers First-time Home Buyers Savings Accounts in Oregon. Ask your financial institution if they participate.

