## Home Budget WorkSheet

Creating a budget for your future as a homeowner is a necessity. Buying a home is not something you should go into on a whim. Use this worksheet to create a budget for yourself!

## **Pre-Home Budget**

Rent	
Renter's Insurance	
Utilities	
Internet	
Auto Insurance	
Debts (car or student loan)	
Groceries	
Child Care	
Transportation	
Pharmacy/Doctor	
Restaurant	
Entertainment	
Savings	
Other	

Most of these costs will follow you to your new home, but some will change or eliminated altogether. The house you're moving into is likely larger than your apartment, but it may be closer to work. Your utilities will be higher, but your transportation costs may be lower. You may be able to negotiate a cheaper price for Internet as well if you move to a different area.

## Homeownership Budget

Mortgage	
Modified Utilities	
Modified Transportation	
Modified Internet	

Practicing for homeownership costs is a great idea. If you decide to budget for an extra \$500 a month to put towards your mortgage, start putting it in a special savings account now. Then, when you're financially ready to purchase a home, you'll have a nice stash to put towards a down payment. A down payment can be between 0%-10% of the home's price. You may also be responsible for closing costs which are typically 6% of the price. Start saving for these costs now so that you can enjoy your new home from the start.



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