# HOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR MORTGAGE APPLICATION

## MORTGAGE LOAN CHECKLIST

Identification

Driver's License

### Current Bank Statements (all pages)

Checking / Savings / CD
Stocks / Bonds / Money market
IRA / 401k\*

#### **Income & Employment**

- Complete 2 yrs employment history
- □ Paystubs for most recent 30 days
- □ W2s and/or 1099s (2 yrs)
- □ Retirement/SS award letters
- □ Federal Tax Returns w/all schedules (2 yrs)

#### Property

- $\Box$  Homeowners Insurance contact information
- □ Mortgage statements for current properties
- □ Landlord contact information

#### If Applicable

- Business Tax Returns (2 yrs)
- □ YTD Profit & Loss statement
- □ HOA dues statement
- □ Bankruptcy paperwork
- □ Divorce or child support documentation
- DD214 VA Form

\*if using retirement accounts and under the age of retirement, please confirm access to either withdraw funds or secure loan against those funds should need arise.

## DOs and DON'Ts - tips for a smooth closing

#### DO:

- Respond quickly to requests for information
- Keep records for all income and assets, including deposit slips
- Stay current on all existing accounts by making payments on time
- Notify us of any changes to your employment or other incomes

#### DON'T:

- Deposit cash into accounts it cannot be considered available funds
- Open any new credit cards or other accounts until after you close
- Make any large purchases like boats, cars, or furniture during the process

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