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# HOW TO FINANCE YOUR FIRST INVESTMENT PROPERTY

A Beginner's Guide for Real Estate Investors

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### WHY FINANCING MATTERS

Financing can make or break your first real estate deal. Understanding your options and preparing the right way can give you a huge advantage and help you build long-term wealth.

# **Step 1: Understand Your Investment Strategy**

Before you shop for a loan, be clear on your investment strategy. Are you buying to hold and rent? Planning to flip? Looking for short-term or long-term financing? Your strategy will determine the best type of loan.

# **Step 2: Know the Common Loan Options**

- Conventional Loans: Ideal for borrowers with strong credit and verifiable income
- **DSCR Loans:** Debt-Service Coverage Ratio loans use rental income for qualification, not your job.
- **Bank Statement Loans:** Great for self-employed borrowers who don't show traditional income.
- Bridge Loans: Fast, flexible loans ideal for value-add projects or fix-and-flips.
- Hard Money Loans: Asset-based financing for distressed or fast-closing deals.

# **Step 3: Get Pre-Approved**

Getting pre-approved shows sellers you're serious and helps you move quickly when the right deal comes up. At Arden Capital, we help you understand what you qualify for and what's possible.

# **Step 4: Prepare Your Documents**

- ID & Entity Formation Documents (LLC or Corp if applicable)
- Proof of Funds or Bank Statements
- Property Info (if you already have a deal in mind)
- REO and Net Worth Worksheet

# **Step 5: Calculate the Numbers**

Understand your down payment, estimated monthly payment, reserves required, and expected cash flow. We'll help you run a deal analysis so you feel confident before you invest.

# **Step 6: Close and Execute**

Once your offer is accepted, we move fast to fund your deal. After closing, focus on executing your plan—renovate, rent, or resell.

#### WHY WORK WITH ARDEN CAPITAL

- We specialize in loans for first-time and experienced investors.
- We offer DSCR, Bank Statement, Bridge, Hard Money, and Traditional Loans.
- We understand real estate investing because we're investors too.
- Fast closings. Strategic guidance. Investor-focused solutions.

# LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR FIRST DEAL!



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