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## Down Payment Assistance Resources – Houston

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### National Tools

- Freddie Mac DPA One: Down payment assistance programs all in one place.
  - <https://dpaone.freddiemac.com/home>
- Down Payment Resource (DPR): National DPA search tool.
  - <https://downpaymentresource.com/>
- State Housing Finance Agency Locator (NCSHA): Find official state programs.
  - <https://www.ncsha.org/housing-help/>
- Down Payment Scout
  - <http://downpaymentscout.com/>

### Houston–The Woodlands–Sugar Land, TX Metro Area

- TSAHC Houston: Regional programs.
  - <https://www.tsahc.org/homebuyers-renters/houston-area-down-payment-assistance>
- Houston HAP: City program.
  - <https://houstontx.gov/housing/hap.html>
- Harris County DPA: County program.
  - <https://hcd.harriscountytexas.gov>

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## Presenter Bios & Contact Information

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Claudio was honored by the National Foundation for Credit Counseling (NFCC) as the Outstanding Counselor of the Year in recognition of his remarkable contributions as a leader in the field of financial empowerment.

He is both an NFCC-certified credit counselor and a HUD-certified housing counselor. Claudio teaches the agency's HUD-approved class for first-time homebuyers. He is also a certified counselor for Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (HECM) under HUD, where he educates seniors about the unique requirements of reverse mortgages. Claudio is also a Certified Military Housing Specialist.

As a HUD-certified housing counselor, Claudio offers personalized assistance and education tailored to address specific barriers and goals. His work encourages financial independence and significantly improves housing outcomes. Claudio empowers first-time homebuyers, helps homeowners avoid foreclosure, provides stability for renters, and offers life-changing support to individuals overcoming homelessness.



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