

5 Attend an open house or schedule a private showing of the model home you have selected (you will receive notice of the open houses/showing opportunity). Open houses and private showings will be available for approximately two-weeks after construction is complete on the model homes in February/March 2023.

6 The buyers of the first six model homes will be selected following the completion of construction through a lottery drawing in March 2023 from the list of approved buyers for each home design.

The six selected buyers of the model homes will be notified within one week to schedule a meeting to write a purchase contract for the home. Buyers must bring a \$1,000 deposit to this meeting (an additional \$500 is due prior to closing).

Selected buyers must complete an online pre-purchase class and send their certificate of completion to Homebuyer Services Team no later than four weeks after entering into a purchase contract.

7 Complete the required, free, online post-purchase course within 12 months of closing.

*If a qualified applicant misses the November 15, 2022 deadline, they will be able to submit an application before March 31, 2023 to be included in the process for homes built in 2023.

NOTE: All approved buyers will have the opportunity to purchase one of the 18 homes to be built in 2023, even if they are not selected to purchase one of the six model homes. All remaining approved buyers will be automatically moved to the waiting list for those homes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
www.cityofrochester.gov/buytheblock



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City of Rochester, NY • Rochester City Council

Some neighborhoods in the City of Rochester have experienced a long history of disinvestment, resulting in deep and ongoing challenges. Today, focused programs like **Buy The Block** are working to strengthen these neighborhoods by generating investment and creating excitement.

Buy The Block supports current and new homeowners by investing in high-quality, affordable, owner-occupied houses, where homeowners spend no more than 30 percent of their income on housing.

The program consists of the following initiatives:

- **Building new, single-family, high-quality homes** for qualified residents to purchase with affordable mortgages, with an overall goal of building up to 100 new homes in under-invested areas of the City;
- **Assisting current homeowners in implementing home improvements** through grants and free consultation, including roofing and exterior façade repairs on their properties.
- **Providing additional resources to strengthen Rochester city neighborhoods.**

MODEL HOME BUILDING & NEW HOME TOURS: Fall/Winter 2022

The City of Rochester has partnered with Greater Rochester Housing Partnership (developer), Atlas Contractors LLC (builder), and Ibero American Development Corporation (marketing, application assistance) to construct and sell affordable, single-family homes on currently vacant, City-owned parcels.

In Fall 2022, the team's first step will be to build six different model homes on City-owned lots at 14, 22, 30, 38, and 56 Thomas St. and 101 Weeger St.

The options range from 2-bedroom accessible ranch homes for aging in place to 4-bedroom two-story homes with full basements for large families.

For more information about the six homes available, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/BuyTheBlock/



NEW HOME BUYERS: ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS STARTING SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

As of Sept. 20, the City of Rochester is accepting applications from those interested in purchasing a new home through the Buy The Block program.

Applications will be due by Nov. 15.*

Buyers must be first-time homebuyers with household incomes at or below 80% Area Median Income:

2023 INCOME LIMITS

Household Size	80% Median Income Limit
1 person	\$50,250
2 people	\$57,400
3 people	\$64,600
4 people	\$74,750
5 people	\$77,500
6 people	\$83,250
7 people	\$89,000
8 people	\$94,750

Buyer eligibility is ultimately determined by the City of Rochester Homebuyer Services staff. A list of required documents that are used to determine eligibility is included in the application.

Applicants must agree to live in the home as their principal residence for at least 15 years, or sell to another income-qualified owner-occupant as approved by the City of Rochester. Homes must be owner-occupied for 30 years.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO STEP-BY-STEP:

- 1** Submit a completed application form with all required documents to City of Rochester Homebuyer Services Team by **November 15, 2022.*** Submission instructions are included in the forms. Applications available at cityofrochester.gov/buytheblock or email Homebuyer@CityofRochester.Gov.
- 2** If your application is eligible, a member of the City of Rochester Homebuyer Services Team will schedule an in-person appointment to review your application pre-approval and step you through the Buy The Block home-buying process. These meetings will be held by **December 15, 2022.**
- 3** With the information provided in Step 2, reach out to a participating bank and apply for a mortgage.
- 4** Return signed approval documents, completed property selection form, and prequalification letter from an approved lender to Homebuyer Services Team by **January 11, 2023.**