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5 THINGS TO DO BEFORE BUYING A HOME

1. **Get Pre- Approved:** Your banker or mortgage broker will give you a letter with the amount you are approved for so you can focus on the right price
2. **Set a budget:** Set a budget that allows you to save money, as the added expenses of emergency fixes or home repairs for a home are unpredictable
3. **Open Houses:** Once you have your budget set, it doesn't hurt to go look at a few open houses to get an idea of what you may be looking for – you might think you know, but when you actually look at a home, things may change, try to be open
4. **Don't forget closing costs:** You'll need to pay your home inspection, lawyer, property taxes if they aren't included in your mortgage, and title insurance
5. **Be patient:** This is your largest investment and there are lots of factors to consider before you pull the trigger. Don't rush and settle for something just because you're excited

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to give me a call and I will gladly walk you through and answer any questions you may have! Congratulations on taking the next step towards buying a home!

