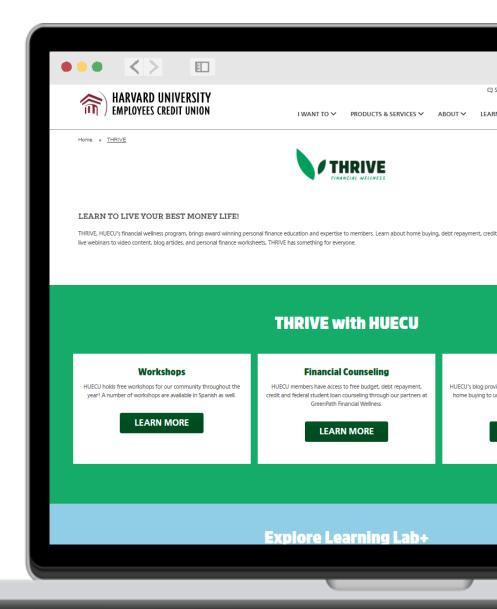


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Own Your Home, Now What?

- X Take No Action
- Accelerate Payment
- Borrow Against Equity (HELOC)
- Change Terms of Loan (Refinance)
- Reverse Mortgage



What is Refinancing?

COMMON REASONS TO REFINANCE A HOME MORTGAGE

To reduce monthly payment

To reduce and/or extend the term on the loan

To reduce both the term and payment

To borrow additional funds to pay for major expenses

To remove private mortgage insurance



HUECU's Refinancing Options

- S Cash out refinance
- Rate and term refinance
- Both cash out and rate and term refinance





Cash Out Refinance

COMMON REASONS HOME OWNERS BORROW AGAINST HOME EQUITY

Home improvements

Life events such as a wedding, college tuition

Medical expenses

Rainy day fund

Tax considerations

Purchase a second home



Determining Home Equity Available To Borrow

Lender will require appraisal

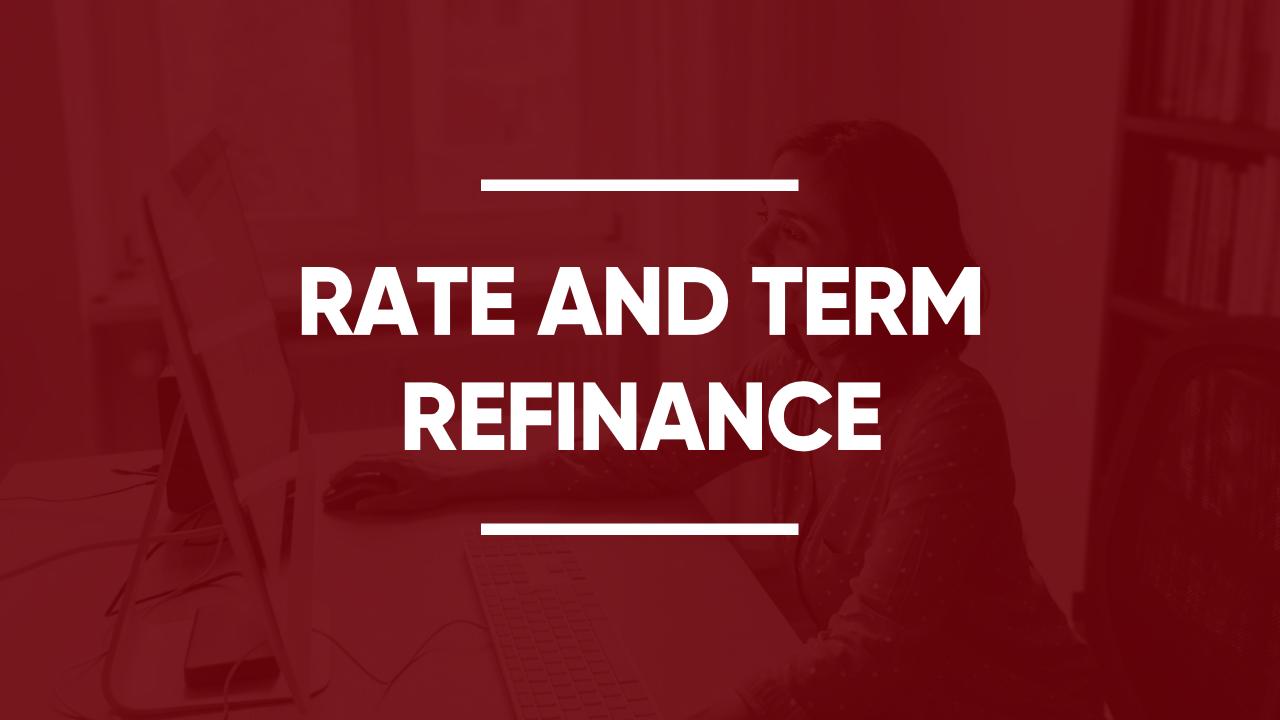
A percentage (typically 80%) of appraised value is used

Current mortgage balance is deducted from adjusted appraised value

Example for a home with \$650,000 Appraised Value

ADJUSTED APPRAISED VALUE	LESS CURRENT MORTGAGE	AVAILABLE EQUITY
\$520,000*	-\$275,000	\$245,000

^{*} HUECU uses 80% of the appraised property value (i.e, \$650,000 X 80% = \$520,000)



Potential Interest Savings

Reducing your monthly payment and keeping the same remaining term may save a significant amount of interest over the term.



Should You Refinance?

- Compare the new payment vs. your existing payment
- Factor lender closing costs
- Consider the terms

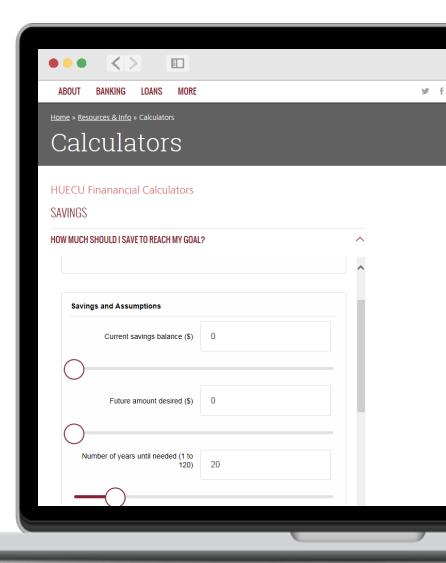
EXAMPLE

UPFRONT LENDER FEE	ANNUAL SAVINGS	TERMS
\$2,500	\$960	2.6 YEARS

True monthly savings will be after 2.6 years, or after the 31st month.

HUECU Calculators

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Should You Reduce or Increase the Term?

REDUCE TERMS	INCREASE TERM	
May greatly reduce total interest paid over term of loan	May increase your monthly cash flow due to lower monthly payment.	
Builds equity more rapidly		
Typically, can obtain a lower rate for shorter term		
Could align better with financial goals		

HELOCS AND FIXED RATE SECOND MORTGAGES

HELOCs and Fixed Rate Second Mortgages



Refinance of first mortgage isn't required.

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No upfront fees for HUECU borrowers.



What is a HELOC?

HELOC: HOME EQUITY LINE OF CREDIT

Line of revolving credit secured by your home

Typically variable rates, that are subject to change

Can be used to pay for large or small expenses

Similar to a credit card

Advantage

HELOC is a lower rate than other common loans and interest may be tax deductible.

X Disadvantage

Payment amount may increase if interest rates increase

How does a HELOC work?

Borrow Period known as Draw Period (normally 10 years)

Can borrow up to maximum limit established at closing

As you repay, the available credit limit is replenished

Repayment Period:

Typically 10 - 15 years, begins after draw period ends



Fixed Rate Second Mortgage

Allows you to borrow the full amount at closing at a fixed rate and term.

Typically the shorter the term on a fixed rate, the lower the rate.

Advantage

Peace of mind in knowing that your payment would not increase.

X Disadvantage

No flexibility to repeatedly borrow against the credit line.

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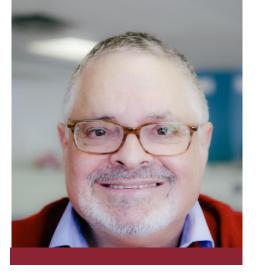
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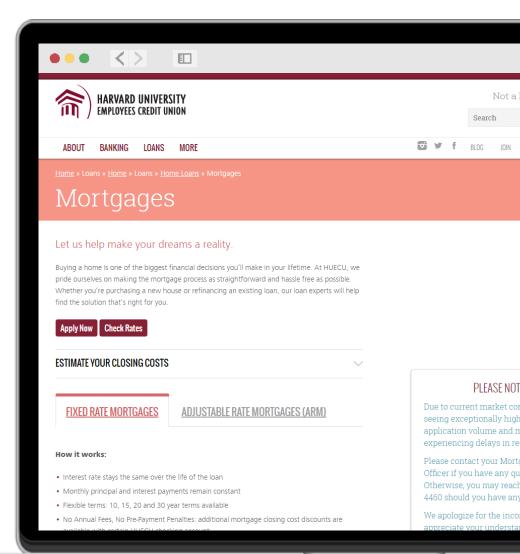
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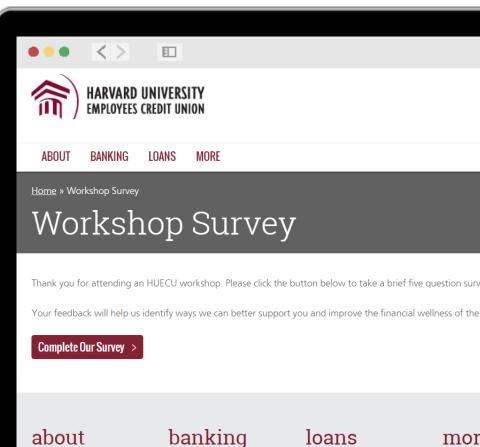
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