## **Home Renovation Loans**

## **Fact Sheet**

Loan Eligibility

To be eligible for a Home Renovation loan you must meet the Home Renovation inspection eligibility criteria as well as loan requirements which will include title search and credit checks. Loan eligibility will also require that the home is your principal place of residence and that you have at least 30% equity in the home.

Loan Purpose

Home Renovation loans can be provided for health and safety related repairs, renovations or modifications to your principal place of residence identified in the inspection report. Loans can be used to supplement your savings or grants to fund the works.

Loans up to \$10,000

The loan is unsecured, no mortgage is required.

Loans over \$10,000

The maximum loan amount is \$25,000. You will need to provide a mortgage over your home to the Director of Housing for all loans over \$10,000.

**Loans to Private Renters** 

A maximum loan of up to \$2000 is available to private renters.

Interest Rate

The annual percentage rate is usually based at 2% below the Director of Housings 3 year fixed rate\*.

Term

The maximum loan term is 15 years.

Repayments

Minimum repayments may be negotiated within the maximum loan term of 15 years.

Example:

Loan of \$10,000 may have repayments as low as \$20 per week over a 15 year period or \$35 per week over an 8 year period.

Loan of \$5,000 may have repayments as low as \$10 per week over a 15 year period or \$16 per week over an 8 year period. (These estimates are based on current interest rates)

Total monthly commitments including the proposed Home Renovation Loan, credit cards and existing personal and home loans cannot exceed 25% of your gross monthly income.

Contact

For further details on Home Renovation Loans call our Customer Service Officer 1800 133 324.

Website

For further information www.housing.vic.gov.au/home owner assistance

\*Interest rates available on application Fees, charges and conditions apply.

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