

Is Now the Time to Buy a Home?

Equifax to Host Webinar on Today's Real Estate Market

ATLANTA, June 12, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- What a change a year can bring. Bidding wars are springing up across the country, as home buyers compete with investors and hedge funds for properties. Homeowners are watching their home values soar, and millions have returned to positive equity.

It's a great time for home sellers. But what about home buyers? With mortgage interest rates passing 4 percent for a 30-year fixed-rate loan, is now really the right time to buy?

The Personal Solutions division of Equifax (NYSE:EFX) today announced it will present a free series of four live webinars, hosted by Equifax Finance Blog managing editor, radio talk show host, and award-winning real estate columnist Ilyce Glink, designed to help consumers understand the new, fast-moving economy and how it affects their personal finance decisions.

The first webinar in the series, "*Is Now the Time to Buy a Home?,*" will take place on **Wednesday, June 19**, from **1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT**.

Glink will moderate a panel featuring **Amy Crews Cutts**, Equifax Chief Economist, and **Steve Cook**, publisher of Real Estate Economy Watch and a real estate contributor to the Equifax Finance Blog.

"Today's low mortgage interest rates and affordable home prices leave many consumers wondering <u>if now is the right time to buy a home</u>" says Glink. "We'll give you the inside scoop on how credit, current events, mortgage rates and changes to local markets affect your opportunity to buy a home or invest in real estate."

Glink, Cutts and Cook will take questions from the public and members of the press, who can <u>sign up online</u> for the free webinar.

About Equifax

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