

Equifax Offers Smart Financial Advice on Buying a Home

ATLANTA, Sept. 25, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Deciding whether to buy a home and which house to buy isn't always easy. It usually depends on what you can afford to spend on a mortgage. In a new <u>video</u> on the Equifax Finance Blog (NYSE:EFX), Ilyce Glink, personal finance expert and managing editor of the Equifax Finance Blog, walks through what you need to consider: your income, debt, property taxes, insurance costs and more.

"Think carefully about how much you can realistically afford, and remember that not all of it can be used to pay your mortgage," said Glink. "If you've decided you can spend \$2,000 a month on a house, remember that the total amount must cover taxes, insurance and maintenance costs in addition to your mortgage payments."

This is the first in a series of videos to feature Glink on the <u>Equifax Finance Blog</u>. In the coming months, she'll address more relevant topics to consumers, including saving for your child's college education, buying a new car and preparing for tax season.

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