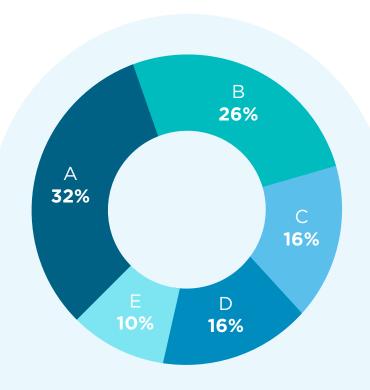
# Be Life Rich, Not House Poor!

Buying at the top end of your preapproval price could be setting you up for many dull years to follow. Why? Your home cost is more than just a mortgage payment.

There are property taxes, maintenance, utilities and more due every month. If those add up to **32%** of your total income, you're on the right track.

If not you might have to sacrifice in other categories such as vacation, debt repayment or savings. Take a look at the pie chart to see how you can be life rich instead of house poor!





## Here's a great guide to a budget!

### **A** | Housing

Mortgage, taxes, gas, etc.

#### B | Life

Food, vacations, fun, medical, childcare, etc.

#### **C** Transit

Car payments, transit passes, gas, etc.

#### D Debt

Payments to credit card, credit lines, etc.

#### E | Saving

Long term savings.

Need help fitting a home into your budget? Call me for help today!

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