ABOUT HOMEPORT
Since inception in 1987, Homeport has offered high-quality affordable housing and promoted stability for over 6,200 economically insecure residents. Additionally, Homeport provides the broader Central Ohio community with a robust array of housing counseling offerings through the HUD certified Housing Advisory Services.

Homeport directly develops, sells, and rents senior, multi-family, and single-family homes. We conduct real estate acquisition, asset management, service coordination, and community revitalization efforts. Properties in Homeport’s portfolio have access to service coordination, linking residents with critical services such as eviction prevention supports, emergency financial assistance, infant mortality prevention, childcare for working parents, employment training and educational programs.

Homeport’s work has been directed squarely to combatting the housing challenges that economically insecure residents face. We provide affordable housing, linkages to community resources, collective impact place-based services, and education and coaching to financial security so individuals and families can thrive.

ECONOMIC IMPACT (2014 – 2018)

$204.1 MILLION IN ECONOMIC OUTPUT GENERATED

$20.8 MILLION IN LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL TAXES GENERATED

1,349 JOBS CREATED OR SUSTAINED BETWEEN 2014 - 2018

$79.9 MILLION IN LABOR INCOME GENERATED

ABOUT NEIGHBORWORKS
The NeighborWorks Collaborative of Ohio is a statewide, non-profit organization focused on creating sustainable and affordable housing opportunities for Ohioans. Through its member organizations, over 150,000 individuals and families have benefitted from programs and services in the last 10 years, resulting in stronger communities, thriving local economies and a substantial positive impact on Ohio’s economy.

http://www.ohionwc.org/
To make ends meet, Maggie Parks has sometimes worked two jobs a week, as many as 75 hours. Until recently, the Brookhaven High School graduate headed to her small apartment in North Linden.

In March, the single mom of a 13-year-old middle school student came to a conclusion: “I’ve got to do better for my child and his future.”

That is when she turned to Homeport. She took a “Home Readiness” class on March 14. After four months with Homeport’s directions, the Experian score for Parks had jumped 74 points to meet the level to qualify for a mortgage. Her TransUnion score had increased to an even higher level.

Homeport Lease-Option Program Manager Brenda Moncrief was introduced to Parks by a Homeport Senior Counseling Advisor in July.

Homeport had four homes in its lease-option portfolio that had become vacant, and Hale thought Parks could be an excellent candidate to buy one of them, having cleaned up debt, improved her credit scores and successfully trimmed her spending habits to regularly save cash.

On Sept. 12, Maggie Parks purchased a Homeport owned home near Cleveland and East Fifth avenues in Milo-Grogan.

“I wanted more and I wanted better. I had a goal, a mission and I was going to get it,” Parks said. “I wanted it.”