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**ORIGINATING AGENTS GUIDE  
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**EFFECT OF CHANGE**

**Effective Saturday, February 17, 2017**, the interest rate on the Great Choice Loan Program applications will be increased to 4.50%. Based on this rate, the Homeownership for the Brave Loan Program will increase to 4.0%.

All Great Choice loan applications **received by THDA on or after Saturday, February 17, 2018**, must be submitted at the higher rate. All applications **received by THDA prior to February 17, 2018**, and outstanding commitments at the lower rates of 4.25% for Great Choice and 3.75% for the Homeownership for the Brave will close at those respective rates.



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## 1.4. CURRENT THDA LOAN PROGRAMS

### A. Great Choice Loan Program

This program is designed for low and moderate income borrowers. Great Choice offers a low interest rate loan secured by a first mortgage with the option of down payment and closing cost assistance to a maximum of 5% of the purchase price at a 0% interest rate, deferred payment, forgivable second loan secured by a second deed of trust. THDA allows the following loan types: FHA, USDA, and VA at the maximum loan limits based on insurer or guarantors guidelines. THDA also allows conventional uninsured loans with a maximum loan to value of 78%.

<b>Maximum Household Income</b>	Varies by county
<b>Maximum Acquisition Cost (Including all incidentals)</b>	Varies by county
<b>Maximum LTV</b>	Subject to FHA, VA, and USDA/RD Guidelines. Conventional Loans 78% LTV or less.
<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>4.50%</b> fixed rate, subject to change
<b>Loan Term</b>	30 years
<b>Loan Types</b>	FHA, VA, USDA/RD, Conventional
<b>Mortgage Insurance or Guarantee</b>	As required by loan type
<b>Buydowns</b>	Not allowed
<b>Assumable</b>	Subject to qualifying
<b>Pre-Payment Penalty</b>	No penalty
<b>Subject to Recapture</b>	Yes
<b>Required Reserve</b>	As required by loan type
<b>Minimum Investment</b>	As required by loan type
<b>Closing Costs</b>	May come from borrower, seller, a gift, or as required by loan type
<b>Down Payment</b>	As required by loan type
<b>First Time Homebuyer Rule</b>	Borrower must not have an interest in their primary residence within 36 months of application <b>unless</b> the property to be financed with the loan is in a targeted area or the borrower meets the Veteran's exemption. (See THDA website for targeted areas.)
<b>Homebuyer Education</b>	Not required
<b>Origination Fee</b>	Up to 2% maximum