## The advantages of homeownership

Deciding whether to rent or own is an important and personal decision. Having the information you need to make the right choice for you is critical. Speaking with a real estate professional can help you decide what is best for you.

It may also help to first consider some key facts:

	Own	Rent
Equity	You may build equity.	Your monthly payments for a rental property do not build equity.
Tax deduction	Interest portion of your mortgage payment may be tax deductible.*	No deductions.
Privacy	With a single family home, condo or co-op, there's no landlord accessing your property.	The landlord can access your rented property.
Fixed payments	With a fixed rate mortgage, you have a predictable cost because the principal and interest payments do not go up.	Rent virtually always increases at lease renewal—often with no way to predetermine how much that increase will be.
Pride	You can customize or update your home with renovations, and enjoy the sense of stability that comes with homeownership.	You may not be able to update or personalize your living space, and annual lease agreements may lead to a feeling of instability.

## To discuss the advantages of homeownership, call me today.

\*Consult your tax advisor.

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