

# Get more cash than a HECM. With more flexibility than a HELOC.

Longbridge Platinum Jumbo Reverse Mortgage

## Thinking about a HELOC? Why a Platinum Line of Credit<sup>1</sup> (LOC) may be a better option.

For every senior who chooses a reverse mortgage, nearly 11 choose a HELOC as a financing alternative<sup>2</sup>—but there are compelling advantages for you to consider Platinum instead.

If you own a higher-value home, a Platinum reverse mortgage can help you unlock more of your home equity than a traditional Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM), with a number of outstanding features:

- Loan amounts up to \$4 million<sup>3</sup>
- Wide range of eligible home values
- Borrower never owes more than the home is worth when it is sold and the loan is repaid
- Expanded eligibility for condos

Now available to more people: the Platinum age qualification has expanded to 55 and older.<sup>4</sup>

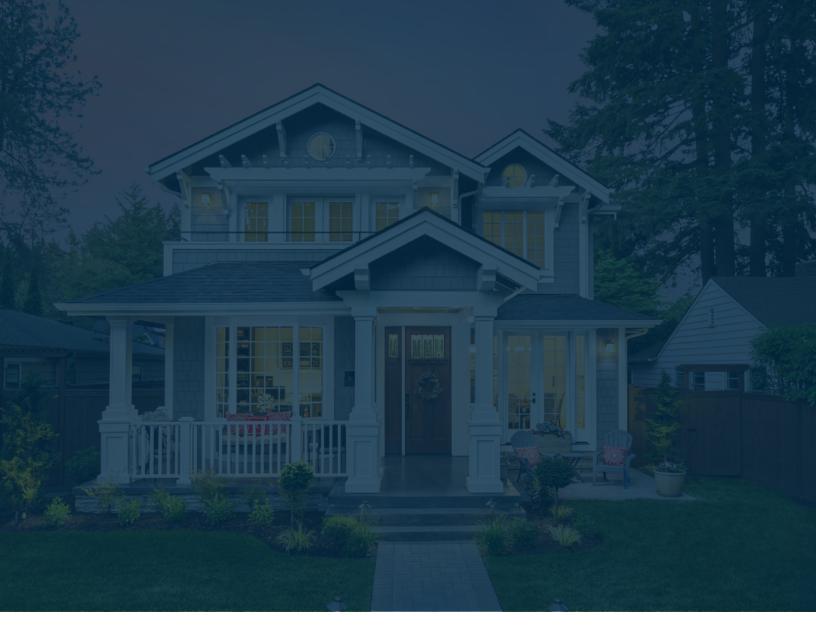


More flexibility with fewer restrictions: how a Platinum LOC¹ compares to a HELOC.

- A reusable line of credit<sup>1</sup>
- No mortgage insurance premiums (MIP), which may mean lower upfront costs
- Comparable rate
- Monthly mortgage payments optional (keeping up with property taxes, insurance, and maintenance required)

#### PLATINUM LINE OF CREDIT<sup>1</sup> VS. HELOC: A CLOSER COMPARISON<sup>5</sup>

| Similarities   | Platinum LOC                                   | Standard HELOC                  |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Own and keep title of the home?                      | Yes  | Yes                             |
| Must pay property taxes, insurance, and maintenance? | Yes  | Yes                             |
| Can deduct interest?                                 | Yes, if optional payments are made             | Yes <sup>6</sup>                |
| Can pay off and redraw?                              | Yes, up to 75% <sup>7</sup>                    | Yes, but there may be a penalty |
| Ten-year draw period?                                | Yes  | Yes                             |
| Credit line can be cut off by lender?                | Only under specific circumstances <sup>8</sup> | Yes, at any time                |
| Rate adjusts regularly?                              | Every month                                    | Every month                     |
| Credit score/income requirements?                    | Yes  | Yes                             |
| Differences  | Platinum LOC                                   | Standard HELOC                  |
| Early payoff penalty?                                | No penalty                                     | Yes, depending on the program   |
| Monthly mortgage payments required?                  | No <sup>9</sup>                                | Yes                             |
| Non-recourse loan protection?                        | Yes  | No                              |
| Independent borrower counseling?                     | Yes  | No                              |



### Platinum offers you more options.

Platinum is a proprietary reverse mortgage program for borrowers with high-value homes or condominiums that may not qualify for a traditional HECM. You can choose:

- Fixed-Rate Program: if you're looking for a full-draw loan at a fixed rate
- Line of Credit Program: if you want some upfront cash now—and a reusable line of credit for the future

#### Why choose Longbridge Platinum?

We take the time to get to know you, your goals, your home, and your finances as we discuss your options, to help you determine what reverse mortgage solution is right for you. Not all lenders make this commitment. Our customers consistently give us "excellent" ratings on Trustpilot, an independent review site.



## Answers to your questions about Longbridge Platinum.

#### Q: What is Platinum?

**A:** It's a proprietary reverse mortgage program for homeowners aged 55 and older.<sup>4</sup> It lets you borrow against your home equity without having to make monthly mortgage payments, as long as you live in the home and continue to pay property taxes and insurance, maintain your home, and fulfill all loan obligations.

## Q: How does it compare to an FHA Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM)?

A: While there are similarities between regulatory requirements for Platinum and HECM loans, there are some important differences between the two reverse mortgages. Platinum allows you to access more of your home's equity than a standard HECM—up to \$4M.<sup>3</sup> It's designed specifically for properties with home values that exceed the FHA loan limit, or those that aren't eligible for FHA financing—such as condominiums that aren't FHA approved, or some Planned Unit Developments (PUDs). Compared to a HECM, Platinum has no mortgage insurance requirement, which may result in lower upfront costs.

#### Q: Is a Platinum loan non-recourse?

**A:** Yes. When you sell the home, you and your heirs will not be held responsible for the difference, if any, between the unpaid loan balance and the value of the home.

## Q: If I have a Longbridge Platinum loan, will I still own my home?

A: Yes. You retain the same ownership and title that you have today as long as you meet your loan obligations (see next answer for details). Just like a traditional mortgage, the lender puts a lien on the property which requires repayment under certain circumstances, such as when you sell or leave your home as a primary residence, or when the last borrower no longer lives in it.

#### Q: What are my obligations with Platinum?

**A:** Since you retain the title to your home, you also retain your obligations as a homeowner: maintaining the home, paying property taxes and insurance, and any other assessments applied to your property (e.g., homeowners association fees).

## Q: How does Platinum compare to a traditional mortgage?

**A:** A traditional mortgage requires monthly payments to the lender, eventually paying off the mortgage over time. Platinum lets you borrow against the equity in your home and receive a lump sum of cash at closing, and/or a line of credit. There are no monthly mortgage payments required as long as you live in and maintain the home, and keep current with property taxes and homeowners insurance.

#### Q: Can my heirs still get an inheritance?

**A**: After the balance of your Platinum reverse mortgage is paid off, any remaining equity goes to your heirs. That amount will depend on a number of variables, such as loan balance, how long you stay in your home, how much your home appreciates in value, and other factors.

## Q: How can I use the money I receive from a Platinum loan?

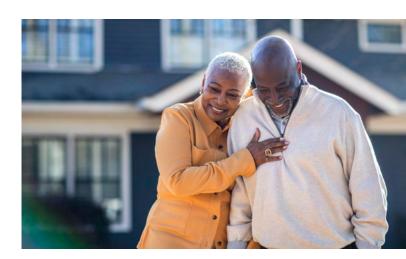
**A:** Proceeds are first used to pay off any existing mortgage. The rest is yours to use as you wish. You can use Platinum funds to pay bills or consolidate other debts, cover medical expenses, fund home repairs and improvements to help you age in place, or even purchase a new house or condo that's better suited for your retirement needs. You can also refinance an existing reverse mortgage to get more available cash in your pocket.

## Q: Will I have to pay income tax on the money?

A: The proceeds from a Platinum reverse mortgage are generally income tax-free<sup>10</sup> and typically do not affect Social Security or Medicare. We do recommend that you talk to a competent financial advisor to determine the effect on any other benefits you may be receiving, especially when receiving a large lump sum from a reverse mortgage at closing. Having excess funds in your account could impact eligibility for certain government benefit programs.

#### Q: When does the loan have to be paid off?

**A:** The loan comes due when you 1) sell the property; 2) no longer live in the home as your primary residence; or 3) fail to meet your loan obligations, such as paying property taxes, homeowners insurance, and home maintenance.





## Did you know you can buy a home with a reverse mortgage?

There are some great advantages to using a Platinum loan to buy a home that better fits your retirement needs:

- \$4 million lending limit<sup>3</sup>
- Eligibility as early as age 55 for some Platinum borrowers<sup>4</sup>
- No upfront mortgage insurance premium (MIP)

#### How Platinum Compares to a Standard HECM Loan

|   | Platinum Reverse Mortgage   | HECM Reverse Mortgage  |
|---|---|--|
| Minimum age                                   | 55 <sup>4</sup>   | 62   |
| Upfront MIP?                                  | No  | Yes, 2% of home value  |
| Maximum loan amount/lending limit             | Up to \$4 million <sup>3</sup>  | Up to HECM loan limit  |
| Seller concessions on purchase transactions   | Up to 6%  | Up to 6%   |
| Appraisals on new construction purchase loans | Can be ordered when home is 50% complete (subject to plans and specs) | Can be ordered when the home is 90% or more complete <sup>11</sup> |
| Non-recourse protection for borrowers?        | Yes   | Yes  |

### To put the power of Platinum to work for you, contact us today.

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- Line of credit option is not available in some states. Please ask your loan originator if your state is eligible, and for more details.
- 2016 Survey of Consumer Finances, The Urban Institute, November 2017. The state of MA has a maximum loan amount/lending limit of \$2,000,000.
- Available to borrowers as young as 55 in select states only. Higher minimum age requirements may apply.
- Terms provided are projections and actual terms may vary.
- Depending on the use of the proceeds.

  Except for the first 25% of the proceeds at origination taken at closing.
- Specific circumstances are outlined in the Loan Agreement. Please contact Longbridge Financial, LLC for details about credit costs and terms
- As with any mortgage, you must meet your loan obligations, keeping current with property taxes, insurance, and maintenance
   Consult a financial advisor and appropriate government agencies for any effect on taxes or government benefits.
- 11. The appraiser must document a list of components to be installed or completed after the date of appraisal

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