

How to Estimate a Cash Offer for Your Home

When selling your home for cash, it's crucial to understand what to expect. Here's a straightforward way to break down the numbers:

Step 1: Calculate the After Repair Value (ARV)

The ARV is the estimated value of your home after all repairs and updates are completed.

Step 2: Subtract Costs

- 1. Calculate Closing Costs and Realtor Commissions
 - Multiply the ARV by 0.93 to cover closing costs and realtor commissions (approximately 7%).
- 2. Subtract Estimated Repair Costs
 - Refer to the general repair estimates below.
- 3. Subtract Desired Profit

This is the profit the investor aims to make.

4. Subtract Wholesale Fees

Often included in the buyer's offer.

Cash Offer Formula:

Cash Offer = ARV x 0.93 - Repair Costs - Desired Profit - Wholesale Fee

Quick Alternative:

Look up the lowest sold homes in your area (preferably cash sales). They will typically offer less than that amount. Repairs don't matter in this case.

General Repair Estimates:

- \$15 per sq ft: Light touch-up (paint, carpet, etc.)
- \$30 per sq ft: Cosmetic updating (kitchen, bathroom, flooring)
- \$50 per sq ft: Full gut rehab (major repairs and renovations)