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Align Credit Union Offering FREE Homebuying Workshop February 6, 2016 at Hale Street Branch in Lowell

Lowell, MA, January 21, 2016 - Align Credit Union is pleased to announce that it will be hosting a Homebuying Workshop on Saturday, February 6th in the Hale Street branch at 87 Hale Street in Lowell. The free event will be held from 10am until noon and will feature Align's home financing experts along with a local realtor and attorney. At the workshop, attendees will learn how to find the perfect home, make the right offer, apply for a loan and close on their dream home. Topics will include:

- Developing a budget and savings plan
- Understanding and improving your credit score
- What you can afford to buy
- Searching for your dream home and tapping into MLS
- Foreclosures and short sales
- The importance of getting pre-approved
- Choosing the loan that's right for you
- Low downpayment, low interest rate and first-time homebuyer programs
- The truth about closing costs

Refreshments will be served and all attendees will receive a coupon for \$500 off Align closing costs.

"Anyone thinking about buying a new home should attend this workshop so they're ready for the spring homebuying season," said Senior Vice President of Home Financing, Judy Dodier. "In today's market, houses are going fast. You need to be ready to make an offer when you find the home of your dreams. This event will help people get ready."

For more information or to reserve a seat, please contact Align's Home Financing Consultant, Joan Berube at (978) 323-0623 or jberube@AlignCU.com.

About Align Credit Union

Since 1922, Align Credit Union has provided customized banking solutions to individuals and families throughout Northeastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. Align offers a full suite of products and services including Personal and Business Banking, Mortgages, Financial Planning and Insurance. Founded as the Northern Massachusetts Telephone Workers Credit Union (NMTW), the Credit Union changed its name to Align in 2013. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works or attends school in many communities throughout Eastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. For additional information, stop by one of six branches in Amesbury, Danvers, Framingham, Haverhill and Lowell or visit www.AlignCU.com.