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Introduction

All-In-One (AIO) loans are a powerful financial tool that combine the functionality of a home loan and a checking account into one product. These loans are designed for borrowers who want more flexibility, faster payoff potential, and control over their interest payments. This guide explains what an AIO loan is, how it works, when to use it, and why it's a compelling option for certain homeowners.

What is an All-In-One Loan?

An All-In-One loan is a first-lien home equity line of credit (HELOC) that functions as both a mortgage and a checking account. Borrowers can deposit their income directly into the loan account, which lowers the loan balance temporarily and reduces the daily interest that accrues. As funds are spent, the balance increases again. Interest is calculated daily, providing the opportunity to save significantly over time.

How Does It Work?

- Your income is deposited into the loan account
- The loan balance is reduced by the deposit
- Interest is calculated daily on the reduced balance
- Funds can be accessed any time (like a checking account)

Example:

- Loan Balance = \$300,000
- Monthly Income Deposit = \$10,000
- New Balance = \$290,000 (interest accrues on this amount)
- As you spend from the account, the balance increases again

When to Use an All-In-One Loan

- If you are self-employed or have variable income
- If you want flexibility with cash flow

- If you want the option to access equity without refinancing
- If you're financially disciplined and want to pay off your home faster

Why Choose an All-In-One Loan?

Benefit	Explanation
Pay Off Faster	Depositing income reduces balance and daily interest charges.
Cash Flow Flexibility	Access to available equity whenever needed.
No Refinance Needed	Reusable principal without starting a new loan.
Ideal for Business Owners	Works well with inconsistent or seasonal income.