

7 Must-Have Apps for New Homeowners

We live in a fast-paced, digital world. Most home buyers start their search online and many rely on apps throughout the process. So, it makes sense that once they have the keys, they continue to look for technology to help them create and maintain their new home.

Here are some must-have apps to help new homeowners enjoy a hassle-free experience with their new property.

1. **Centriq** – A home management app that helps homeowners organize, operate, and maintain systems and appliances. Add appliances/devices by uploading model numbers and getting access to features, fix-it guides, and product recalls.
2. **HomeZada** – A digital management system that allows the user to track their home's equity, insurance, and mortgage. It includes a home value forecaster tool as well.
3. **NextDoor** – A neighborhood networking app that helps new homeowners get involved in their local community. Provides access to local community members to get recommendations for service providers, community events, and emergency information.
4. **HomeStyler** – A digital interior design tool that helps homeowners envision changes to their homes. Capture photos of the home to “try out” new designs and décor products.
5. **TaskRabbit** - This app connects homeowners with freelance taskers who perform services such as decluttering, TV mounting, babyproofing, packing, and much more.
6. **Vivint Smart Home** – A home security system that allows you to connect smart locks, doorbell cameras, thermostats, garage door openers, and any other smart device onto one app, instantly available on a mobile device.

7. FEMA App – The FEMA app allows the user to receive real-time weather and emergency alerts for up to five locations. It also can help locate a local shelter if the homeowner needs to evacuate.

Technology has impacted the way we do most everything. New homeowners can take advantage of the many apps available to ensure their new home is everything they want it to be.