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## **Heather Eischen Named a Minnesota Housing Top Producing Loan Officer for Home Improvement Loans**

**St. James, Minn.** – Heather Eischen, Assistant Vice President, Mortgage Banker at Pioneer Bank, was named a Minnesota Housing Top Producing Loan Officer by Minnesota Housing for her Fix Up home improvement loan production during 2021.

“Helping homeowners finance renovations and supporting them throughout the process is very rewarding. Watching dreams come true and being a part of that journey is why I enjoy my career,” says Mortgage Banker, Heather Eischen.

Minnesota Housing is a state agency that works with loan officers like Eischen to provide affordable loans for home remodeling, repairs, energy efficiency upgrades and accessibility improvements. Homeowners can access the Fix Up Loan Program to receive loans from \$2,000 to \$75,000 with fixed interest rates and secured and unsecured options. More information and eligibility requirements are available at [www.mnhousing.gov](http://www.mnhousing.gov). In addition to home improvement loans, Minnesota Housing also offers homebuyer loans and finances multifamily housing across the state.

For more than a decade, the Minnesota Housing Top Producing Loan Officer Program has been recognizing individual loan officers with the highest volume of Fix Up loans.

“We applaud these Top Producing Loan Officers for demonstrating a deep understanding of Minnesota Housing Fix Up Loan Program and helping Minnesota families improve their homes and communities,” said Minnesota Housing Commissioner Jennifer Leimaile Ho.

**Minnesota Housing** collaborates with individuals, communities, and partners to create, preserve, and finance affordable housing. Find out more at [www.mnhousing.gov](http://www.mnhousing.gov). Follow us on social media on **LinkedIn** at Minnesota Housing, (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/minnesota-housing-finance-agency/>) **Facebook** - @minnesotahousing, and **Twitter** and **Instagram** - @mnhousing.

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