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HOUSING MARKET
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INTRODUCING THE RUUFPAY PROTOCOL

The RuufPay Protocol is a blockchain project aiming to bridge the gap between cryptocurrency and real estate. RuufPay is being designed to be available to all parties involved in standard real estate transactions anytime, anywhere - landlords, tenants, buyers, and sellers.

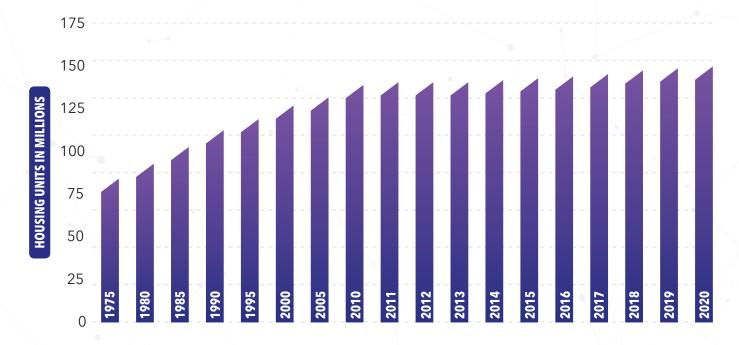
Due to its fast, borderless nature as a means of payment, RuufPay will be utilizing the Ethereum-based Home Coin as its primary settlement token throughout forthcoming developments. As the RuufPay Protocol popularizes and scales to a larger array of geographic locations, it will help create more transparent & efficient housing solutions across the globe.

Our objective is to cooperatively create solutions to make the housing ecosystem more transparent, fair, and efficient with the usage of cryptocurrency, distributed ledger technology and decentralized finance. We see ourselves as a supportive solution for those involved in housing transactions - landlords, property managers, tenants, buyers, and sellers. We aim to become an entity based on complete decentralization, bringing the newly embraced benefits of the digital economy to the outdated real estate industry.



THE CASE FOR RUUFPAY

In the first quarter of 2021, renter-occupied units made up 30.6 percent of housing inventory in the United States with a total of 140.8 million units in existence. This equates to approximately 43 million units being rented by tenants throughout the United states^{1,2}.



According to the Nasdaq, approximately 46 million Americans own Bitcoin in 2021, not accounting for other digital currencies³. Furthermore, a survey from Bitcoin Market Journal and BlockCard state that approximately 70% of crypto enthusiasts are spending, not holding their crypto as investment, and about 5% of the spending is going directly towards housing payments^{4,5}. This equates to an extremely conservative number of **2.5 million consumers that would want to pay their rent with their cryptocurrency in the United States alone**, especially since they already do so by turning their crypto to fiat for their landlords.

As of January 2021, the amount of global crypto users reached 106 million⁶. With the same 5% of crypto users that pay rent with crypto in the US, the market for RuufPay adopters would equate to over 5 million people; this only takes the existing rental market into consideration, not including those that will begin doing so as this method of payment popularizes.

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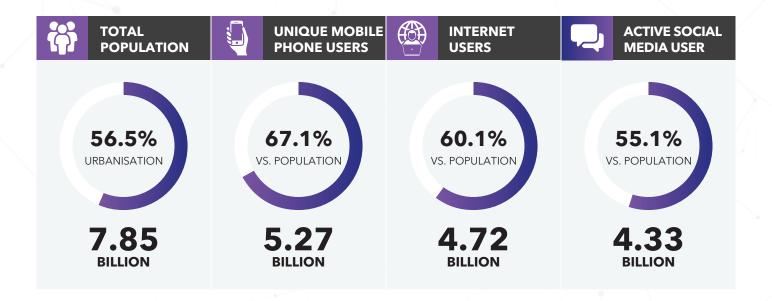
RUUFPAY MOBILE WALLET

We believe the gap between real estate and digital currency stems from a lack of infrastructure and difficult user experience, especially with the increasing dependence of our cellular devices. As of April 2021, approximately 5 billion people, or 60% of the entire world's population uses the internet. About 93%, or 4.7 billion people, use mobile devices to go online periodically⁷.

DIGITAL AROUND THE WORLD (April 2021)

Essential headline for mobile, Internet, and Socail Media use

Internet user number no longer include data source from social media platforms, so values are not comparable with previous reports



For this reason, we believe building a highly scalable, yet simple mobile solution is the appropriate route to begin bridging the industry gap between real estate and the digital economy. The typical landlord-tenant relationship has remained the same for as long as can be remembered. To counteract this, we believe there needs to be a drastic, efficient change. The first leg of RuufPay's strategy for entering the market will be based on completing the RuufPay Wallet, a mobile application being designed to simplify crypto payments between tenants and landlords.

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The RuufPay Wallet is being designed as a non-custodial ERC-20 wallet, giving users full control over their private keys and their funds. The application will give many additional utility perks for those that use Home Coin as a means of payment, including but not limited to:



Attractive staking rewards for validating transactions
& actively contributing to protocol maintenance



Ease of applying PoS staking rewards towards rental payments



Receiving RuufPay Governance Tokens for community contributions



RUUFPAY MOBILE WALLET

LANDLORDS & PROPERTY MANAGERS

If you own or manage rental property, you know the struggles that come along with collecting rent from tenants. RuufPay will provide a sleek interface and simple user experience for you to accept rent and manage your tenant's payment history through a single application. As the world becomes increasingly digital, having the ability to easily accept cryptocurrency as rent payment will make your property more appealing to young, tech-savvy renters and will help you quickly fill vacant units. The RuufPay Wallet will have a function allowing you to easily convert rental payments that were made to you in cryptocurrency to USD and other fiat currencies with the push of a button if desired, using our trusted partners.



TENANTS

If you haven't been hiding under a rock for the past few years, chances are you've heard of Bitcoin & cryptocurrency, and likely own some yourself. Well, you're finally going to have a simple way to pay your monthly rent with your digital currency directly through the RuufPay Wallet. Imagine using your crypto holdings to conveniently pay your rent in seconds - well, that's what we're here for. Furthermore, you'll be supporting the crypto revolution, helping bring economic equality to all.



RUUFPAY-POWERED UTILITY TOKENS

HOME COIN (\$HOME)

Since RuufPay abides by the motto of decentralization, the team felt it was best to design as fair a launch as possible. This was achieved by conducting a fair launch on the Uniswap platform with an initial liquidity offering and a locked liquidity pool.

Home Coin serves as the core payment token throughout the RuufPay Protocol. Home Coin's utility comes from its ability to:



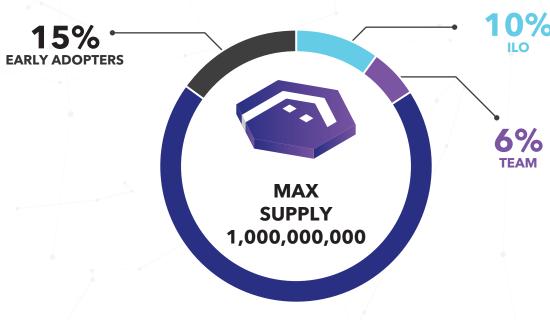
PAY RENT (core functionality of the system)



PAY UTILITIES (to be introduced later on)



PAY MORTGAGE INSTALLMENTS (to be introduced later on)



69% STAKING REWARDS (INFLATION)



RUUF GOVERNANCE TOKEN (RGT)

RuufPay is putting the power back in the hands of the people with RGT. RGT was designed as:



A reward token for HOME/ETH providers in Uniswap, helping sustain the community



A governance token to vote on future updates, features & functionalities of the RuufPay Protocol







BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY IN REAL ESTATE

Whether it's tokenizing property or increasing transparency, blockchain technology has revolutionized many industries due to its low cost and reduced risk. Distributed ledger technology offers a unique opportunity to increase transparency throughout the real estate industry in its entirety. Imagine publicly & easily accessible databases that allow you to see vital property information that's normally difficult to access. Well, those are some of the benefits blockchain sheds light on.

Some advantages of blockchain include:



LOW COSTS

Information transfer can be done with minimal transaction fees and less intermediaries.



TRANSPARENCY

All transactions taking place on the blockchain are publicly viewable.



PSEUDONYMITY

Blockchain addresses provide a high degree of security for users, being randomized strings of letters and numbers.



IMMUTABILITY

The decentralized ledger and its integrity is policed by every network member and attempts to alter previously recorded data are rejected by network participants.



IRREVERSIBILITY

Transactions are immediate and non-refundable, protecting all parties involved.



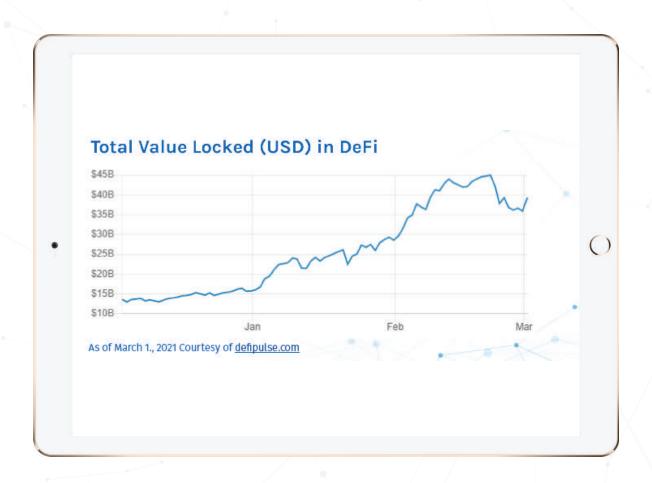
SECURITY

Open blockchains are maintained by a large network of participants that prevents users from submitting inaccurate data, recording fraudulent transactions, or improperly altering recorded information.



THE FUTURE OF CRYPTOCURRENCIES

Just a decade after the world first heard of Bitcoin, the cryptocurrency market cap has amassed over \$2.25 trillion as of April 2021. While this growth is a milestone for the crypto industry, the market capitalization amount is just a fraction of the S&P 500 index at over \$33 trillion, and a global stock market valued at \$80 trillion. Additionally, DeFi has amassed over \$39.11B USD on March 1st, 2021 from just roughly \$1.01B USD exactly one year prior, exhibiting an exponential 39x growth in Total Value Locked (TVL).



According to RBC Capital Markets analysts' future predictions, the cryptocurrency market may exceed \$10 trillion within the next 15 years⁸, resulting in much newly generated wealth with a portion that will likely be directed towards acquiring & renting property. These significant numbers give us a confident outlook how to begin preparing appropriate infrastructure to meet future demand.

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ADOPTER SEGMENTS

A recent study conducted regarding adoption and consumer sentiment for crypto in 2021 found that:

- 1. Nearly half of Americans consider themselves at least "somewhat familiar" with cryptocurrency.
- 2. The 45% said they have heard of it, but don't know much about it.
- 3. Of those familiar with cryptocurrency, **31%** own cryptocurrency already, while another **12%** plan to buy it within the next **12 months.**
- 4. The **14.7 million** intend to purchase in the next year.
- 5. The **78 percent** of cryptocurrency owners are confident in cryptocurrency safety and security.
- 6. Americans of all ages own cryptocurrency, although the majority, 93%, is concentrated among adults ages 18 to 60.

BY AGE

Adults ages 60 and older are the least likely age group to own cryptocurrency, while all other age groups own it at rates between 30 and 40 percent.

Do you own cryptocurrency??	Ages 18-29	Ages 30-44	Ages 45-60	Ages 60+
Yes, I currently own some	35%	40%	31%	13%
No, but I definitely plan to purchase some in the next 12 months	17%	12%	14%	3%
No, but I might consider it in the future	41%	37%	45%	44%
No, and I don't ever plan to purchase any	7%	11%	11%	39%

SOURCES:

Vigderman, Aliza. "Cryptocurrency: Adoption and Consumer Sentiment, 2021". Security.org. 11 May. 2021. Web. https://www.security.org/digital-security/cryptocurrency-annual-consumer-report/



BY GENDER

There is an eight percent chance that men are more likely to own crypto than females and the statistics are showing an increasingly equitable distribution.¹⁰

Do you own any cryptocurrency?	Male responses	Female responses
Yes, I currently own some	35%	27%
No, but I definitely plan to purchase some in the next 12 months	13%	11%
No, but I might consider it in the future	38%	45%
No, and I don't ever plan to purchase any	14%	16%

SOURCES:

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USE CASES & CAPABILITIES

There are various use cases for adoption of the RuufPay Protocol, but RuufPay will initially focus on tapping into the \$1765.5 bn global real estate rental market¹¹ with a primary focus on the \$174.2 bn US rental market¹². Home Coin operates as the native token for the RuufPay Protocol, giving token holders incentives that may include but are not limited to:



Network validator staking rewards



Additional access to protocol features



Discounted rates where Home Coin is accepted as method of payment

PRIMARY USE CASES

Access to Cryptocurrency:

Attract tenants & landlords interested in easy facilitation of crypto as means of payment which will only increase.

Rental Discounts:

Users can receive significant cashback rewards via the RuufPay Mobile Wallet that can be applied towards rent payments. Landlords will have the option to stake their received rent payment as well.

Efficient Remittances:

Facilitate easy and inexpensive remittances with the RuufPay Wallet via Home Coin between tenants & landlords.

• Serving the Underbanked:

Increase payment option for the underbanked, especially those renting properties in crypto-friendly jurisdictions without significant technology infrastructure.

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FUTURE USE CASES

Crypto Home Buying:

When Home Coin adoption increases, users will be able to apply the token towards property purchase.

International Payment Simplicity:

A single digital currency created for real estate functionality simplifies cross-border payments and exchange rates.

Mortgage & Utility Payments:

Cashback rewards can be applied directly towards property expenses.

• Collateralized Crypto Mortgages:

Develop collateralized crypto loan interface that will be geared towards mortgage & rental payments, disrupting the existing market.

• Industry Partnerships:

Profit sharing opportunities with landlords to increase crypto payment adoption.

Increased Transparency:

More market exposure will allow RuufPay to provide transparent property & housing data via blockchain.





ROADMAP

Q4 2020

- Complete Market Research
- Finalize RuufPay Protocol Concept
- Form Team

Q3 2021

- Introduce HOME PoS web staking
- Home Coin Fair Launch
- Launch RuufPay App Beta for IOS
- Complete RuufPay App for Android & Launch
- Begin Marketing to crypto community & landlords

Q4 2021• Begin

- Begin mortgage & utility crypto payment integration
- Introduce RuufPay API solution
- Stable coin integration

Q2 2021

- Complete HOME & RGT Tokenomics
- Begin HOME Token & RGT Development
- Begin RuufPay App IOS Development

Q2 2022

- Launch WebApp
- Begin collateralized payment development
- Complete mortgage & utility payment system

Q1 2023

• Complete collateralized payment system



 Introduce DeFi home buying solutions



MEET THE TEAM



ISAAC IVGI Co-Founder/CEO

Real estate investor for over two decades, having acquired and developed over \$500 million worth of residential and commercial property across the United states. With extensive knowledge & experience in the real estate industry, Isaac recognized the potential which blockchain & cryptocurrency can bring to real estate, leading him to founding RuufPay.



MICHAEL WILKOWSKI CTO & Head of Blockchain

Software engineer who breathes code, loves new technologies & products, a gamer and loves all things interactive. Expert in Swift, iOS & Blockchain development along with many other languages & technologies. After being involved in various crypto projects, startups & crypto mining operations for nearly a decade, Michael found his passion and decided to place his efforts into long-lasting blockchain solutions.



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GENERAL

This document describes RuufPay's current vision for providing opportunities to participate in the residential real estate rental maker, which RuufPay plans to diligently pursue and seeks to realize. As RuufPay's vision depends upon many factors and is subject to many risks, including, without limitation, advances in technology and changes in applicable law, this Whitepaper is subject to the disclaimers contained herein, and RuufPay reserves the right to change, modify, add, or remove portions of this document at any time before, during, and after the sale of HOME or RGT tokens.

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