

Preparing Your House For Sale

Maximizing Resale Value

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Curb Appeal

- Does your house have curb appeal?
- Can we give it a little more pizzazz to draw the buyer in?
- Would a bit of touch-up paint add dollars to the sale?
- What about the garden?
- Is the lawn in order and neatly edged?
- Are trees and bushes neatly pruned?
- Are flowers in bloom? If not, it may be time for a garden upgrade. Adding colorful annuals to the front garden will make a big difference.

Remember, creating curb appeal will add dollars to your house's final selling price.

Curb Appeal Checklist

Inspect the outside ground. Remove any building materials, scrap wood, discarded household items, etc. from the property. Store garbage cans in the garage.

Check the home from the roof line down.

- Is the roof free and clear from obstructions and moss?
- Are the gutters clear and neatly hung?
- Are the windows clean and free from obstructions (such as overgrown bushes or trees)?
- Are bushes, trees and shrubs neatly pruned?
- Inspect the condition of the paint or siding?

- Is it time to power wash the siding?
- Is touch up paint needed?
- Is the front door in good shape?
- Do flower beds need an upgrade?

- Are plants neatly pruned?
- Is the bed free and clear of weeds?
- Is the bed properly mulched?
- Are flowers in bloom?
- Keep the lawn neatly groomed.

- Is the lawn free from weeds?
- Is the lawn free from grass clippings?
- Is the lawn neatly edged?