

A modern kitchen featuring white shaker-style cabinets, a large white marble island with a thick countertop, and two large gold dome pendant lights hanging over the island. A stainless steel refrigerator is on the left, and a stainless steel range hood is above the stove. A green plant sits on the island. The backsplash is white subway tile.

# LISTING GUIDE

Preparing to get your home SOLD!



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# GET READY TO SELL!

*We're here to guide you through the process,  
Every step of the way.*

# FROM LISTED TO SOLD



# FAIR MARKET VALUE

*A home that is priced at a fair market value will attract more buyers, and is more likely to get multiple offers and sell faster.*



# PRICING YOUR HOME TO SELL

The market value of your home is based on a combination of factors including:

- ✓ The Current Market
- ✓ Comparable Listings
- ✓ Location
- ✓ Neighborhood
- ✓ Age of the Home
- ✓ Condition of the Home
- ✓ Improvements



Pricing strategy plays a key role in the home selling process, and can mean the difference between selling right away or sitting on the market for months.



When pricing your home, it is important to carefully consider top market value. Using our Competitive Market Analysis, we will suggest your home's best list price range. We sell homes HIGHER than the market average because we list homes at a correct price from the start.





# 7 EASY CURB APPEAL TIPS THAT WILL MAKE BUYERS FALL IN LOVE

## 1 FRESH COAT OF PAINT ON THE FRONT DOOR

Make a great first impression of your home with a freshly painted front door. Evaluate the condition of your home's exterior paint as well as the front steps, patio and railings. A fresh coat of paint can make all the difference!

## 2 ADD FLOWERS TO THE FRONT PORCH

Sometimes the simplest things can make the biggest difference. New planters on the front porch filled with beautiful, vibrant flowers will make your home appear more inviting, warm and welcoming.

## 3 PRESSURE WASH THE DRIVEWAY

While a dirty, oil stained driveway gives the impression of a home that may need some work, a pressure washed driveway and walkway presents a clean, well maintained home.

## 4 UPDATE EXTERIOR LIGHT FIXTURES

Replace faded, builder grade exterior lighting with new, up to date fixtures. Shiny new fixtures will brighten up your home at night, and look clean and polished during the day. Evaluate the front door handle and lockset as well.

## 5 KEEP THE LAWN & GARDEN TIDY

An abandoned looking yard makes buyers think the home might be neglected, but a freshly cut lawn and well manicured gardens shows a well cared for home. Be ready for showings by staying on top of lawn mowing.

## 6 ADD OR REPLACE HOUSE NUMBERS

Clear, crisp numbers that can be seen from the street make your home easier to find as well as giving the overall appearance a little boost. You may also want to evaluate the condition of your mailbox.

## 7 ADD A WELCOME MAT

Add a brand new welcome mat to greet buyers as they walk through the front door. Even the smallest details like these can make a home feel more inviting.

# PHOTOS & SHOWINGS PREP

In today's market, professional photographs are a requirement for every successful listing. We've put together a checklist to help get your home photo-ready, as well as preparing to show to potential buyers.





# PHOTOS & SHOWINGS CHECKLIST

## THINGS YOU CAN DO AHEAD OF TIME

### INSIDE

- ☐ Clear off all flat surfaces - less is more. Put away papers and misc. items.
- ☐ Depersonalize: take down family photos and put away personal items.
- ☐ Clear off the refrigerator: remove all magnets, photos and papers.
- ☐ Replace burnt out light bulbs and dust all light fixtures.
- ☐ Deep clean the entire house.
- ☐ Touch up paint on walls, trim and doors.

### OUTSIDE

- ☐ Increase curb appeal: remove all yard clutter and plant colorful flowers.
- ☐ Trim bushes and clean up flower beds.
- ☐ Pressure wash walkways and driveway.
- ☐ Add a welcome mat to the front door.

### PRO TIP

Don't be tempted to shove things inside closets! Curious buyers look in there too.

## ON THE DAY OF PHOTOGRAPHY OR SHOWINGS

### KITCHEN

- ☐ Clear off countertops, removing as many items as possible.
- ☐ Put away dishes, place sponges and cleaning items underneath the sink.
- ☐ Hang dish towels neatly and remove rugs, potholders, trivets, etc.

### BATHROOMS

- ☐ Remove personal items from counters, showers and tub areas.
- ☐ Move cleaning items, plungers and trash cans out of sight.
- ☐ Close toilet lids, remove rugs and hang towels neatly.

### IN GENERAL

- ☐ House should be very clean and looking it's best.
- ☐ Lawn should be freshly mowed and edged.
- ☐ Move pet dishes, toys and kennels out of sight.
- ☐ Make beds, put away clothing, toys and valuables.
- ☐ Turn on all lights and turn off ceiling fans.

### PRO TIP

Before a showing, make sure there are not any lingering cooking aromas, pet odors, or other strong smells. This can be a deal breaker to some buyers.

# TOP 5 WAYS TO PREP YOUR HOME TO SELL FAST

## 1 START WITH THE RIGHT PRICE

Homes that are priced strategically from the beginning are much more likely to sell faster than those that are priced too high for the market. Comparing similar homes in your area that have sold and that are currently for sale will help determine a fair market price to list your home.

## 2 DEPERSONALIZE & MINIMALIZE

To make your home feel more spacious, try to minimize as much of your belongings as possible. No clutter around the house lets buyers see your house and not your things. They need to be able to picture your home as their own, so put away the family photographs. Evaluate what you can potentially live without for the next several months and start packing. It all needs to be packed anyway, so you might as well get a head start!

## 3 CLEAN, CLEAN & THEN CLEAN SOME MORE

Everyone loves a clean home, so clean yours like you've never cleaned before! Show your home at its best with a spotless kitchen, super clean bathrooms, and shiny floors. You don't have to live like a clean freak forever, but buyers are sure to appreciate your efforts!

## 4 MAKE HOME MAINTENANCE A PRIORITY

Preparing to sell often requires putting some money and work into your home. When buyers see repairs that need to be done, they start looking for what else could be wrong with the house. This could cost you thousands off your asking price or even risk losing the sale. Being proactive and completing home repairs before listing will help selling go smoother and quicker. You can even have a pre-listing inspection done if you want to avoid the possibility of surprises later on.

## 5 BE READY & WILLING TO SHOW

Showing your home is an important part of the selling process, and being accommodating to showing requests will increase the likelihood of finding a buyer. Keep your home as "show ready" as possible at all times so that you can quickly tidy up on short notice and leave your home (taking your pets with you) before the potential buyers arrive.

# LISTING & MARKETING

*When we list your home, your listing will receive maximum exposure using our extensive marketing techniques.*



# LISTING YOUR HOME

## MLS LISTING



Your home will be put on the MLS where it can be seen by other real estate agents who are searching for homes for their buyers. Your listing will also be posted on websites like Zillow and Realtor.com where potential buyers will be able to find your home.



## SIGNAGE

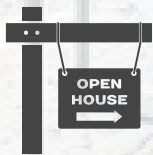


A For Sale sign will be placed out in front of your home, as well as Open House signs before an open house takes place.



## LOCK BOX & SHOWINGS

A lock box will be put on your door once your home is on the market. It's best for sellers not to be present at the time of showings, and a lock box allows agents who schedule showings to access your home with interested buyers.



## OPEN HOUSE

An open house is a great opportunity to attract attention to your home and generate interest to get more potential buyers to see your home.



## SOCIAL MEDIA

We practice regular social media marketing on today's top social sites which include, but aren't limited to Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube, Tik Tok, and Pinterest.



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*Sell with confidence*

