# STEPS TO IMPROVE YOUR CURB APPEAL

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### 1 Start with a deep clean

Pressure wash the siding, driveway, walkways, and porch, and wash the windows inside and out.

### 2 Mow, edge, and trim

Keep the lawn neat, edge the beds, and trim back shrubs and trees from the house and walkways.

### 3 Add mulch and color

Fresh mulch makes beds look cared for. Add seasonal flowers or planters near the entry.

### 4 Refresh the front door

A fresh coat of paint and clean or new hardware makes a big first impression.

### 5 Update the details

Make sure house numbers are easy to see, the mailbox is in good shape, and light fixtures work.

### 6 Fix the small stuff

Repair loose railings, peeling paint, damaged shutters, and any gutters that sag or hang.

### 7 Clear the clutter

Put away hoses, toys, and bins, and move extra vehicles so the house is the focus.

### 8 Spruce up the garage door

Clean or touch up the garage door and keep the driveway free of stains and debris.

### 9 Make the entry welcoming

Sweep the porch, add a fresh doormat, and set out a plant or a couple of chairs.

### 10 See it like a buyer

Stand across the street and take photos. Fix whatever stands out, and check that exterior lights work at night.

**NOT SURE WHERE TO START?**

Ask your agent to walk the exterior with you and pick the fixes that matter most.

Check HOA and local rules before painting or changing exterior features.

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