

# USE THIS GUIDE TO HELP PREP YOUR HOME TO SELL

**WHOLE HOUSE: Objectively Evaluate Every Room!**



## CLEAN/REPLACE AS NEEDED:

- Light Switch Covers
  - Fireplace
  - Light Bulbs
  - Front door
  - Carpets
  - Blinds
- Doors and Door Knobs
- Interior & Exterior Paint touch up
  - AC/Heater vents



## DUST EVERYTHING!

- WALLS
- BLINDS
- CEILINGS/BASEBOARDS
  - WINDOWS
  - A/C INTAKE
  - VENTS
- CEILING FANS

## MAKE YOUR HOME INVITING

- Rearrange furniture to maximize visual floor space
  - Pack up all knick-knacks and figurines
- Reduce or add house plants to a balanced number
  - Remove any furniture that you can live without
- Remove all but a few decorative books from bookshelves

*Welcome*

**PACK AWAY PERSONAL FAMILY PHOTOS TO DE-PERSONALIZE THE HOME**

**REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF WALL ART TO ONE OR TWO ITEMS PER ROOM**

*Add lamps to any dark spaces to brighten the room*

- ☐ CLEAR ALL ITEMS FROM COUNTERTOPS
- ☐ CLEAN TILE GROUT; BLEACH IF NEEDED
- ☐ CLEAN THE STOVE, OVEN, AND MICROWAVE
- ☐ CLEAR THE REFRIGERATOR OF MAGNETS AND PICTURES
- ☐ REPAIR BROKEN OR LOOSE COUNTERTOPS

- ☐ KEEP ALL MOPS, BROOMS, VACUUMS HIDDEN
- ☐ ORGANIZE PANTRY TO LOOK NICE AND NEAT
- ☐ BOX UP ANY DISHES OR SUPPLIES YOU CAN LIVE WITHOUT
- ☐ SCRUB/POLISH THE SINK



# KITCHEN

## DINING ROOM

- ☒ KEEP DINING TABLE CLEAR EXCEPT FOR ONE NICE CENTERPIECE
- ☒ REMOVE EXTRA CHAIRS FROM THE TABLE AND DINING ROOM
- ☒ REMOVE CLUTTER FROM SURROUNDING AREA



## Living Room

- ☒ KEEP COFFEE TABLES CLEAR
- ☒ KEEP FURNITURE AT A MINIMUM
- ☒ TOYS SHOULD BE OUT OF SIGHT
- ☒ USE PILLOWS AND THROWS

# bathrooms

- ☒ clear and clean all surfaces
- ☒ remove all unnecessary items out of shower
- ☒ clean or replace shower curtains
- ☒ clean the showers and baths
- ☒ clean or replace caulking/ grout
- ☒ organize cabinets to be neat



NOT NECESSARY BUT PURCHASING NEW MATCHING HAND TOWELS CAN BE AN AFFORDABLE UPDATE TO BATHROOMS

- ☒ PUT SOAP AND SUPPLIES IN CUPBOARDS
- ☒ KEEP ALL SURFACES CLEAN AND EMPTY
- ☒ USE HIGH WATT BULBS TO MAKE IT BRIGHTER

## Laundry

- ✓ **PRUNE BUSHES AND PLANTS**
- ✓ **DO NOT ALLOW SHRUBS OR PLANTS TO BLOCK WINDOWS**
- ✓ **WEED ALL PLANTING AREAS**
- ✓ **PUT DOWN FRESH MULCH**
- ✓ **KEEP THE LAWN FRESHLY MOWED**
- ✓ **REMOVE ANY DEAD PLANTS**
- ✓ **ADD A FEW FLOWERS FOR A SPLASH OF COLOR**



## GARAGE

- ☐ CLEAN AND SWEEP OUT
- ☐ KEEP STORAGE NICE AND NEAT
- ☐ REPAINT WORN AREAS
- ☐ PACK UP ANYTHING YOU CAN LIVE WITHOUT

\*\*\*FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE EVERYTHING\*\*\*  
LOOK AT YOUR HOME FROM YOUR NIEGHBOURS YARD

## EXTERIOR

- ☐ Clean or repaint the front door if needed
- ☐ Repaint the exterior and trim if needed
  - ☐ Replace any rotten wood
- ☐ Sweep all walkways, patios, porches, and decks
- ☐ Pressure wash any dirty/stained concrete
  - ☐ Re-stain deck wood as needed
  - ☐ Wash windows, inside and out
- ☐ Use outdoor furniture to show use of space
- ☐ Outdoor drapes, pillows, and throws create an inviting retreat

