

# Make Your Home Shine

## Preparation for the Showing.

### **Create Curb Appeal**

Make a good first impression. Make sure your landscape is neat and your yard is free of refuse. Welcome your prospects. Have your entry area clean and freshly painted or varnished.

### **Brighter is Better**

Let the sunshine in. Open drapes, clean windows, turn on lights for an inviting look. Brighten basements with fresh paint. Remove unnecessary items to show full value of storage.

### **Space is Important**

Show off your closet and storage areas. Make storage areas look bigger by keeping them well organized. Remove excess furniture to maximize space and show off your floor plan. Limit or remove unnecessary objects from furniture and walls.

### **Keep It Clean**

Clean or, if necessary, paint the walls and woodwork. A faded interior reduces the appeal.

### **Kitchens and Baths**

**Make a Difference**  
Make your kitchen and baths sparkle. Keep counters clear and repair faucets and caulking.

### **Attend to the Details**

Keep your home in "move-in condition." Clean carpets, rugs, and window coverings. Little things mean a lot. Fix the minor flaws, such as sticky doors and loose knobs.

### **You Are Welcoming Guests**

Keep your pets out of the way - not everyone loves them the way you do.