

5 Low-Cost Ways To Get Your Home Ready To Sell

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Staging is a great way to emphasize your home's best features. But before you stage, there are a handful of low-cost ways you can make updates on your home to help maximize the salability.

Go Beyond Dusting

Many homebuyers pay special attention to cabinets, walls, closets, and floors when touring a home, so it's essential to do a deep clean. And don't forget about washing the windows—letting natural light into the house will make it feel warm and inviting.

Freshen With Paint

Over time, the walls can start to look dull and dingy. A fresh coat of paint will brighten a room and make it look new. Adding a lighter color to the ceiling will make it appear higher.

Repair or Replace

Noticeable flaws turn off buyers. Take the time to repair issues such as sticking doors, leaky faucets, or damaged baseboards. Other small ways to make a big transformation are updating the hardware on your cabinets and upgrading light switch covers.

Don't Overwhelm the Senses

Homebuyers are looking for a place they can see themselves living, so this is not the time to show off your style or keepsakes. Declutter and move excess decorations into storage.

Spruce Up the Yard

Since curb appeal is the first impression of the home, don't underestimate the power of a freshly trimmed lawn and pruned bushes. Go the extra step and rake up leaves, remove weeds, and add a splash of color by planting blooming flowers.

Don't let inexpensive, easy tasks hold you back from getting the best possible offer. A REALTOR® can advise you on other ways to best prepare your home to sell.