

## **Curb Appeal Assessment & Checklist**

### **1. Clean & Declutter**

- Keep your lawn mowed and neatly edged
- Trim overgrown trees and bushes to improve home's visibility from the street.
- Remove dead or dying plants
- Weed flower beds and remove any debris
- Add a fresh layer of mulch to flower beds
- Pressure wash home's siding, decks, walkways and driveway
- Clean windows inside and out.
- Remove leaves and debris from gutters and downspouts.
- Store toys, lawn ornaments, garbage bins and other clutter out of sight.
- Park cars in the garage or down the street during showings to keep your driveway clear

### **2. Make Repairs**

- Fill in bare areas of the lawn, either through seeding or sodding.
- Patch or reseal minor cracks in your driveway and walkways.
- Check your home for peeling paint and have repainted if necessary.
- Replace rotted or warped siding boards.
- Replace broken or missing roof shingles. If your roof is nearing the end of its lifespan, consider replacing it.
- Repair or replace damaged shutters, window screens and awnings.
- Make sure all exterior and landscape lights are in working order. Replace light bulbs as needed.
- Paint or stain your fence and repair loose broken boards.

### **3. Add the Finishing Touches - Wow homebuyers with details**

- Plant colorful flowers in your front beds and window boxes. Place a potted plant or two by the front entrance.
- Paint the front door a bright color that stands out from your home's exterior. Paint shutters and trim to match.
- Add a new welcome mat at your front door.
- Replace door hardware, light fixtures and house numbers at your home's entrance. Coordinate these items for a cohesive look.
- Use pavers or plants to create an inviting path from the sidewalk, driveway or road to the front door.
- Replace or repaint an old mailbox.