

## **Checklist: Preparing Your Home For Sale**

Here are some suggestions that will help you get top market value:

### General Maintenance

- Oil squeaky doors
- Tighten door knobs
- Replace burned out lights
- Clean & repair windows
- Touch up chipped paint
- Repair cracked plaster
- Repair leaking tapes & toilets

### Spic & Span

- Shampoo carpets
- Clean washer & dryer
- Clean furnace, air vents & replace air filters
- Clean refrigerator & stove
- Clean & freshen bathroom (re-caulk if necessary)
- Clean & paint baseboards if necessary

### The First Impression

- Clean & tidy entrance
- Functional doorbell
- Polish door hardware
- Set out fresh potpourri (select a subtle fragrance)
- Do not smoke in the home while listed for sale

### Curb & Back Yard Appeal

- Cut lawns
- Trim shrubs
- Weed & edge gardens
- Pick up any litter
- Clear walk & driveway of leaves
- Touch-up exterior paint
- Keep pool/spa clean & free of debris

### The Spacious Look

- Clear stairs & halls
- Store excess furniture
- Clear counters, stove & refrigerator
- Make closets neat & tidy