

Before you list your house

a master list

interior

declutter

*Weed out unnecessary items and donate what is in poor condition or you no longer use or love. Eliminate small knick knacks and clutter to make your house feel more spacious and to allow some breathing room.

- Clothes closets
- Coat closet
- Linen closet
- Pantry
- Fridge/freezer (toss expired food)
- Bathrooms
- Bedrooms
- Playroom
- Surfaces (tables, counters, dressers)
- Floor space

patch - paint - caulk

- Remove spare nails/screws in walls
- Patch and paint visible holes
- Re-caulk baseboards and touch up paint
- Re-caulk countertops if needed
- Re-caulk built-in cabinetry if needed
- Touch up interior doors
- Touch up ceiling paint

tasks

- Replace air filters (this will cut down on the dust in your house too!)
- Replace light bulbs as needed - they should all be the same color (I like 3000 Kelvin. Anything cooler can feel sterile.)
- Remove large family portraits on walls (smaller photos are usually fine). You can leave the wall bare or replace it with a mirror or art.
- Hang a mirror in a dark corner or long hall to bounce light around and make the area feel larger.
- Place lamps to help a room feel cozier!
- Before a showing, turn on EVERY light and lamp in the house

wash

- Interior doors
- Doorknobs
- Walls
- Baseboards
- Windows
- Window ledges
- Switch plates

dust

- Art and shelving
- Lighting
- Ceiling
- Surfaces

exterior

- Wash windows and screens
- Clean out window wells
- Pressure wash garage
- Pressure wash deck/patio
- Lay a fresh doormat
- Weed garden beds
- Lay fresh mulch in garden beds
- Fresh flowers for planters