Real Estate Tips and Advice

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### FIRST IMPRESSIONS MATTER

The moment potential buyers pull up to your house, they begin forming opinions. Enhance your curb appeal by tidying up the front yard, mowing the lawn, and planting colorful flowers. A fresh coat of paint on the front door and clean windows can also make a big difference.

## DECLUTTER AND DEPERSONALIZE

Buyers need to picture themselves in your space, so remove personal items like family photos and memorabilia. Declutter each room to create a sense of spaciousness. Consider renting a storage unit for excess furniture and belongings to keep the house looking neat and inviting.

## HIGHLIGHT KEY FEATURES

Showcase the best aspects of

your home by ensuring they stand out. If you have a beautiful fireplace, arrange the furniture to make it a focal point. Open curtains and blinds to let in natural light, making rooms feel bright and airy. Highlight any recent renovations or unique features with tasteful

staging.

#### **CLEANLINESS IS CRUCIAL**

A spotless home conveys that it has been well-maintained. Clean every nook and cranny, including areas that might not be immediately visible, like baseboards and behind appliances. Pay special attention to kitchens and bathrooms, as these are often deal-breakers for buyers.

## PROVIDE REFRESHMENTS AND INFORMATION

Offering light refreshments

can create a welcoming atmosphere for visitors.
Additionally, prepare informative brochures with details about the property, neighborhood, and local amenities.
Having a sign-in sheet can help you follow up with interested home buyers later.



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### **REAL ESTATE 101**



### Real Estate 101 Tip: The Power of Staging

Staging your home can significantly impact how quickly it sells and the price you get. By arranging furniture and decor in a way that highlights your home's strengths, you can make it more appealing to buyers. Staging helps create an inviting, move-in-ready impression.

**Contingency Clause:** A contingency clause is a condition or action that must be met for a real estate contract to become binding. Common contingencies include financing, home inspection and appraisal contingencies. These clauses protect buyers and sellers, ensuring certain criteria are fulfilled before the sale proceeds.

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