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5 home-improvement projects to help sell your home

(BPT) - The real estate market has improved across much of the country, but homeowners thinking about listing their homes this summer need to stay competitive to attract buyers. Buyers are looking for long-term homes, ones they want to stay in for years while raising their children, or settling down and retiring.

To prepare your home for listing - or simply to enjoy it a few years longer - check out these top five home improvement projects you can do yourself to make your home more attractive to buyers:

1. Give the front door a new look - The front door sets the tone for your home's curb appeal and security, and it signals how well you maintain everything else. Buyers will be walking into your home via the front door, so be sure to give them a good first impression. If your door is in good shape, you might just need to give it a refreshing new coat of paint or new hardware. But if it's seen some wear and tear over the years, consider replacing it with a steel door - one that will show buyers your home is safe.

2. Update the most-used entryway - While the front door needs curb appeal, the garage door is tradi-

tionally the most-used door in the home. Old wooden garage doors will start to sag and the paint will peel, organization of the second sec

an extra room to the house, but if you're selling your home during the warmer months, that's how buyers will see it. They'll be able to picture themselves enjoying breakfast and picnic dinners outside, or curling up on a lounge chair with a good book on a summer afternoon. To make your deck a good selling feature, consider using ProWood Dura Color, a color-treated wood that retains its color for years. This means your buyers can easily move into your house and can enjoy the space without the annual chore of staining. Realtor.com estimates that homeowners can recoup 87 percent of the investment of adding a deck when they sell.

to remodel. If you have a guest or master bath that can use a little help to transform into a relaxing oasis, take the opportunity to replace the flooring, add cushy rugs, paint the walls and replace the accessories with more modern styles. Faucets, showerheads, the mirror and even the toilet can all be upgraded with water-saving and stylish designs. Buyers will take note of a maintenance-free bath, making your home

and pets, and for couples who aren't intersected in having a conversation with the neighbors every time they go outside. To make your fence an attractive selling feature of the home, consider using ProWood Dura Color fence pickets or pre-built panels. The cedar-tone or redwood-tone colorant driven deep into the wood fibers will stand up to the sun's harsh rays and won't gray out over time, unlike cedar fencing. You can match it to the deck coloring for a beautiful accent look that connects the colors in your backyard



Quick tips to reduce moving stress

(BPT) - Moving brings exciting possibilities of a different neighborhood, fresh spaces to decorate and new family traditions to be made. But it also means leaving behind people and places you love. While some sentimental items can be taken to your new place, many memories just aren't transportable. That's why it's even more important to protect those goods that can make the move.

To help ensure your treasured belongings arrive safely to your new home, be prepared and arm yourself

with tools that make safeguarding your possessions simple and less stressful

Make room for new memories

Although you want to preserve your memories, taking everything with you isn't necessarily the best decision. Moving is the perfect opportunity to organize and purge items you don't need or won't use in your new residence. To lessen the load on moving day, hold a garage sale or donate unwanted items to a local charity. Plus, if you're trying to sell your current home, the less clutter the better.

Once you've determined which objects will make the move, decide where they'll go in your new place.

While some of your belongings are currently in the den, will they be in the spare bedroom now? Make the unpacking process simpler by creating a plan for your new space in advance and pack according to where things will go, not by where they've been.

Organize, don't agonize

Starting the process early can help avoid nerve-wracking, last-minute packing, and give you time to be a bit nostalgic. Before you begin boxing things up, take videos and photos of each room to preserve your memories of that space. Don't forget to include outdoor areas like a backyard treehouse or handprints in the patio cement.

Then, make a checklist of everything you need to accomplish before moving - packing, cleaning, cancel-ling and restarting utilities, registering the kids for school - and set a timeline for completing each step. Once you're ready to start packing, do it methodically, working room by room to make the task seem more manageable. Start with decorative pieces that you can go without for a month or so, keeping items you need daily for last. Protect delicate possessions
To ensure your belongings arrive safely, it's essential to pack possessions with extra care. Safeguard

breakables with wrapping materials designed to protect fragile goods, such as Duck brand Bubble Wrap cushioning. It features a nylon barrier that prevents air loss, ensuring the bubbles re-

> Next, pack items in clean, sturdy containers in a variety of sizes. Use large boxes for bulky, yet lighter furnishings, such as pillows and blankets, and place heavier objects in smaller boxes to avoid unnecessary strain. Seal boxes securely with a quality packaging tape, like Duck brand EZ Start packaging tape. Its Frustration Free special release technology means you never lose the tape end (a major frustration when packing numerous boxes), plus it won't split or tear. Be sure to label boxes clearly, marking them

main filled for the best protection.

on the sides of the boxes, not the top. This step makes it obvious what's inside, even if they're stacked. You also can use different colored or printed packaging tapes to color code each room red for the bedroom, blue for the kitchen. Have help on hand

Moving is hard work, so recruit friends and Moving is nard work, so recruit friends and family to help with packing and unloading on moving day. You'll love showing off your new place, and it'll help with the transition to see that loved ones aren't too far away to make the trip. Just be sure to promise plenty of food and drink as a reward for their hard work.
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