

45 Ways to Make Your Home's *First Impression* Say WOW

CURB APPEAL

- Sweep or power wash the street and sidewalk in front of your house
- Repaint, pressure clean or touch up exterior
- Remove cobwebs from eaves
- Fertilize, cut and edge grass, or re-sod
- Weed and rake
- Replace thin gravel/stone/tan bark areas
- Mend, clean or paint fence, gate, steps
- Install new house numbers—make sure they are visible from the street
- Plant annual flowers in harmonizing colors
- Add tan bark or topsoil to planting beds
- Store toys, tools, bikes, trashcans, hoses, etc. out of site
- Repair, repaint or replace mailbox
- Replace broken window panes
- Move camper, old car or boat from driveway
- Trim trees and shrubs, especially ones blocking pathways
- Wash windows
- Tidy side yards
- Clear gutters
- Replace missing shingles; repair flashing
- Add window boxes full of flowers

ENTRANCE

- Remove clutter from the front porch
- Sweep the front porch and hose down
- Tighten handrails
- Replace/repair/clean light fixtures
- Replace bulb in fixture
- Mend doorbell; replace button surround
- Replace door mat
- Remove front door screen
- Remove sick or dead potted plants
- Paint or clean front door and threshold
- Polish or replace brass; add a kickplate
- Place clay or wooden pot(s) of flowers on porch
- Place wooden or wrought iron bench on front porch
- Add wreath or door decoration
- Add a sitting area if there is room

ENTRY WAY

- Sweep, mop or vacuum floors
- Repaint or touch up walls
- Clean carpeting, drapes, upholstery
- Remove any furniture/clutter crowding the space
- Use maximum wattage bulbs for bright light at night
- Hang a mirror instead of art to reflect light
- Remove or replace area rug
- Clean out hall closet
- Add plant or fresh flowers
- Notice what tends to collect here & add storage