

MAKE A LIST

Things to Consider

IN YOUR HOME SEARCH

Deciding on what type of home you want to live in is just as important as deciding where you want to live. For some, location is everything. For others, home details are most important. Before looking at homes, make a list of features you must have, would like to have, definitely don't want and would prefer not to have.



LOCATION

Think about your daily commute, school districts, nearby amenities, neighborhood feel, and overall safety.



HOME FEATURES

Consider how many bedrooms and bathrooms you need, the layout, square footage, and features like a home office, finished basement, or updated kitchen.



YARD AND OUTDOOR SPACE

Look at lot size, privacy, fencing, and whether there's room to entertain, garden, or let pets roam.



CONDITION AND AGE

Take note of the age of the roof, furnace, windows, and appliances, plus any needed repairs or updates.



COSTS AND BUDGET

Factor in the asking price, property taxes, HOA fees, and any renovations you might want to make.



SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Schools are important for many, but if they aren't for you, you can save money by looking in districts that aren't the most desirable, keep in mind though that schools districts will effect resale value.



LIFESTYLE FIT

Make sure the home suits your lifestyle — now and in the future. Is it a long-term fit? Room to grow? Space to work or relax?