

TIPS FOR VIEWING HOMES

Overly Decorated Homes

It is easy to get caught up in the decor of a home you are viewing. It can be hard to see past the beautiful furniture, art on the walls and stunning flower arrangements. Although staging is a huge asset when selling, you need to look past it as a well-informed buyer. It is important to look at square footage in each room and overall set up that will meet your needs, long after the sellers fancy decor is gone.

Keep focused on the house and the major issues that could be being disguised.

Location Location Location

Be aware of the other properties including businesses nearby. If the neighbors next door don't take care of their property, this could be an ongoing issue, that may leave you frustrated for years to come.

Busy streets and the sound level from an interstate or industrial areas could be overlooked during certain times of the day and could be a nuisance after moving in. Look around and take note of vacant lots or farmland that could be built upon nearby in the future. I always tell my buyers that it is best to check the activity in every neighborhood. Drive by after school, late evenings, and weekends, to get a feel for the overall atmosphere in any area you are looking to buy a home in.

The Bones of the House

It is extremely important to be on alert for issues with the foundation, roof, plumbing, electrical, water seepage, wood rot, unstable decks, and up heaved concrete. These are just few... I recommend getting a home inspection, this will assist you in locating many problem areas in a home you're placing an offer on.