EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW!



SIX THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN MOVING DOWN

Whether you call yourself a Move Down Buyer, an Empty Nester or a Baby Boomer, the fact remains that you're looking to shed that big house or 2nd floor master for something a little more practical. There might be a multitude of reasons why you're seeking this lifestyle change. Rest assured, Builders and Agents know you're out there and are desperately trying to fill the void in the market.

As you start your search or continue it, here are a few tips to make you most productive:

.WIDTH OF THE LOT

Trying to squeeze a 1st floor master on a narrow lot sometimes just isn't possible. Width is the single most important feature to review prior to exploring any lot opportunities.

2. HOW MUCH ARE YOU TAKING WITH YOU?

Many Move Down Buyers often have a lot of stuff to part with. Start to plan on where your "stuff" is going! Is it coming with you or are you sending it to a new home? You can start connecting with friends, family or even Everything But The House!



3. WHAT ROOMS ARE MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU?

Keep in mind that the you might not need as many rooms or as much space as you once did. Do you really need a formal dining room? How many bedrooms on the 1st floor? Think about the most important spaces you need and how you can be most efficient! Of course, unless your budget is unlimited!

4. COST

Did you know that a ranch is the most expensive home to build based on cost per square foot? This might surprise you, but it's because you have to fit more rooms on the 1st floor and there's no 2nd floor space (which is cheaper) to spread the cost out on!



5. AMENITIES

The amenity of the decade is **Walkability**! As realtors, it's the most requested criteria outside of the home! If you're moving down, it is typically for a lifestyle change. So, don't short change yourself. Write down what you'd like to do around your home and let's find a property that fits that!

6. EXISTING HOMES

Often times there are homes on the market already built and have 90% of what you need. There's always an option to add on to a home or renovate it to make it perfect for you. Or maybe you'll get lucky and find the perfect home that hits the market!







