When you're planning to purchase a home, working with an experienced Realtor will benefit you significantly. Not only does a qualified buyer's agent have the time, resources, and knowledge needed to guide you through the home search and purchase process, he or she can also save you money in the long run.

While the "do-it-yourself" (DIY) mentality might be trendy, it's probably better to reserve that approach for a few of your minor home projects, rather than the home purchase experience.

Here are just a few of the responsibilities an experienced buyer's agent will cover before, during, and after your purchase process:

PREPARATION & EDUCATION

- 1. Assess the buyer's needs and preferences
- 2. Educate on the homebuying process
- 3. Explain financing options
- 4. Inform on local market conditions
- 5. Advise on economic outlook
- 6. Explain credit score importance
- 7. Provide a moving checklist
- 8. Provide a home loan documents checklist

PROPERTY SEARCH & ANALYSIS

- 9. Research available properties
- 10. Set up property alerts
- 11. Coordinate viewings
- 12. Analyze market data
- 13. Evaluate renovation potential
- 14. Assess resale value
- 15. Verify zoning and restrictions
- 16. Access exclusive listings
- 17. Inform on schools and community

FINANCIAL & MARKET GUIDANCE

- 18. Discuss offer strategies
- 19. Analyze value trends
- 20. Advise on market timing
- 21. Discuss market implications
- 22. Advise on buyer's market offers
- 23. Explain lender fees and points
- 24. Discuss interest rate impact

OFFER, NEGOTIATION, & CONTRACT

- 25. Draft purchase agreements
- 26. Negotiate terms
- 27. Handle counter-offers
- 28. Advise on earnest money
- 29. Prepare for bidding wars
- 30. Navigate multiple offer situations
- 31. Negotiate repairs or credits
- 32. Address boundary issues





INSPECTIONS & DUE DILIGENCE

- 33. Set up inspections and interpret findings
- 34. Coordinate pest inspections
- 35. Interpret seller disclosures
- 36. Negotiate home warranties
- 37. Monitor contingencies
- 38. Coordinate septic inspection, if applicable
- 39. Coordinate mold inspection
- 40. Coordinate sewer line inspection

CLOSING PROCESS

- 41. Review closing documents
- 42. Ensure documents are accurate and complete
- 43. Assist with final walkthrough preparation
- 44. Schedule and attend closing
- 45. Clarify closing costs
- 46. Monitor loan approval
- 47. Coordinate with title company
- 48. Verify title search
- 49. Educate on escrow

POST-CLOSING SUPPORT

- 50. Assist with utilities transfer
- 51. Offer post-closing advice
- 52. Recommend vendors
- 53. Interpret community bylaws
- 54. Provide relocation resources

PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING & REFERRALS

- 55. Provide lender recommendations
- 56. Recommend movers
- 57. Liaise with appraisers
- 58. Coordinate with bank attorneys
- 59. Coordinate repair quotes

REGULATORY & LEGAL GUIDANCE

- 60. Check HOA requirements
- 61. Verify title searches
- 62. Ensure contingencies are met
- 63. Address safety concerns
- 64. Navigate co-op approvals

INVESTMENT & MARKET ANALYSIS

- 65. Discuss property investment potential
- 66. Offer competitive market strategies
- 67. Advise on real estate portfolios
- 68. Discuss flip potential
- 69. Advise on assistance programs

SPECIAL SITUATIONS

- 70. Discuss title holding
- 71. Navigate required repairs
- 72. Help with address changes
- 73. Assist with real estate auctions
- 74. Guide on raw land assessment
- 75. Address historic property considerations

Don't take these responsibilities on yourself — trust an expert! Are you ready to get started on your home purchase process? **Call to learn more!**



