**Your Ultimate Open House Checklist**

**Neighborhood & Location:**

☐ Proximity to work, schools, and shopping  
☐ Traffic patterns and noise levels  
☐ Condition of neighboring homes  
☐ Access to public transportation and highways

**Exterior Condition:**

☐ Roof condition (missing shingles, sagging, or wear)  
☐ Gutters and drainage systems  
☐ Driveway, sidewalks, and landscaping  
☐ Foundation (visible cracks or shifting)

**Interior Layout & Flow:**

☐ Open and functional layout  
☐ Room sizes appropriate for your needs  
☐ Sufficient storage (closets, pantry, garage space)  
☐ Natural lighting in main living areas

**Walls, Floors & Ceilings:**

☐ No cracks or water stains on ceilings and walls  
☐ Even, well-maintained floors  
☐ Condition of flooring (carpet, hardwood, tile)

**Kitchen & Appliances:**

☐ Sufficient counter space and cabinet storage  
☐ Condition of appliances (are they included?)  
☐ Functionality of sinks and garbage disposal  
☐ Proper ventilation and exhaust

**Bathrooms & Plumbing:**

☐ Water pressure in sinks and showers  
☐ No leaks under sinks or around toilets  
☐ Working toilets and proper drainage  
☐ Adequate ventilation

**Heating, Cooling & Electrical Systems:**

☐ Age and condition of HVAC system  
☐ Type of heating (gas, electric, oil)  
☐ No outdated electrical wiring  
☐ Working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

**Basement, Attic & Storage:**

☐ No signs of dampness, mold, or leaks in the basement  
☐ Adequate attic insulation  
☐ Strong structural integrity in storage areas

**Windows & Doors:**

☐ Windows open and close easily  
☐ No broken seals or condensation in panes  
☐ Secure door frames and locks  
☐ Weatherstripping in place to prevent drafts

**Final Questions to Ask:**

☐ How long has the home been on the market?  
☐ Are there any known issues or recent repairs?  
☐ What’s included in the sale (appliances, fixtures, etc.)?

**Bring this checklist to every open house to compare homes and make an informed decision!**