



THINGS TO NOT LEAVE OUT AT AN OPEN HOUSE

The purpose of your open house is to showcase the property to prospective buyers. You want the home to look its best and uncluttered. But you also want to be smart and protect your valuables and your identity. Unfortunately there are buyers who are nosy, or worse.

Here are some things to not leave out in plain sight at YOUR open house:

- Dirty dishes
- Dirty laundry
- Pets, kitty litter boxes, dog doo in the yard
- iPads, tablets, iPhones/smartphones, laptop computers
- Jewelry and watches, whether valuable or not
- Money
- Check books or canceled checks
- Account numbers, user names and passwords
- Bank and credit card statements, tax documents, letters from the IRS
- Attorney communications, collection agency forms,
- Mortgage documents/coupons or letters from your mortgage company
- Passports, social security card, birth certificates, or related identification
- Small collectibles, whether valuable or not
- Any documents related to the listing contract or communications between you and your listing agent, including copies of any offers you may have already received
- Any documents relating to a home you are purchasing, have purchase or have under contract
- Medications, especially prescriptions
- Computers on, whether logged onto a website/email or not



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