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\$5 Ideas for Making a House More Appealing

Real estate professionals in Sacramento, Calif., say it only takes a \$5 investment to do some quick makeovers to attract potential buyers. Here are five under \$5 ideas:

1. Give the trim around the front door a fresh coat of paint, covering up fingerprints and dings.
2. Fertilize the grass so it looks bright green.
3. Hang a small flag that says "Welcome."
4. Place a big pot of yellow marigolds in the foyer — yellow makes people feel comfortable.
5. Dribble a few drops of vanilla on the oven door and turn it to low (it'll smell just like cookies are baking).

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