

CLOSING THE SALE

WHAT TO EXPECT

Closing is when funds and documents are transferred in order to transfer ownership of the property to the buyer. The escrow officer will look over the contract and find out what payments are owed by who, prepare documents for closing, perform the closing, make sure all payoffs are completed, the buyer's title is recorded, and that you receive payoffs that are due to you.



YOUR COSTS

SELLER COMMONLY PAYS:

- **Mortgage balance & penalties:** If applicable
- **Any claims against the property:** Including but not limited to liens or judgments.
- **Unpaid assessments:** For HOA or other property associations.
- **Real estate agent commissions:** As agreed upon in the listing agreement.
- **Title insurance policy:** To protect the buyer's ownership rights.
- **Home warranty:** Optional, but often requested by buyers for peace of mind.

WHAT TO BRING

SELLERS NEED TO BRING TO CLOSING:

- A government picture ID
- House keys
- Garage door openers
- Mailbox and any other spare keys

AFTER CLOSING

SAVE THESE FOR TAXES:

- Copies of all closing documents
- All home improvement receipts