

# "Freedom, security, and a platform for success.

Bringing these to our client's lives is our only purpose."

-Rob Rule

# Six Strategies for Today's Housing Market

- 1 What's important to you?

  Define your goals and expectations
- The Home Search
  Find your home with instant notifications
- 3 Data-driven decisions
  Understand sales activity intensity
  - Knowledge
- Financing Your Home
  Enhance the quality of your offer WITH GLOBAL REACH
- 5 Your Trusted Advisor and Advocate
  Prepare and negotiate purchase agreement
- 6 The Home Purchase Process

  Manage the transaction and timelines

STRATEGY

NEGOTIATIONS

REPRESENTATION

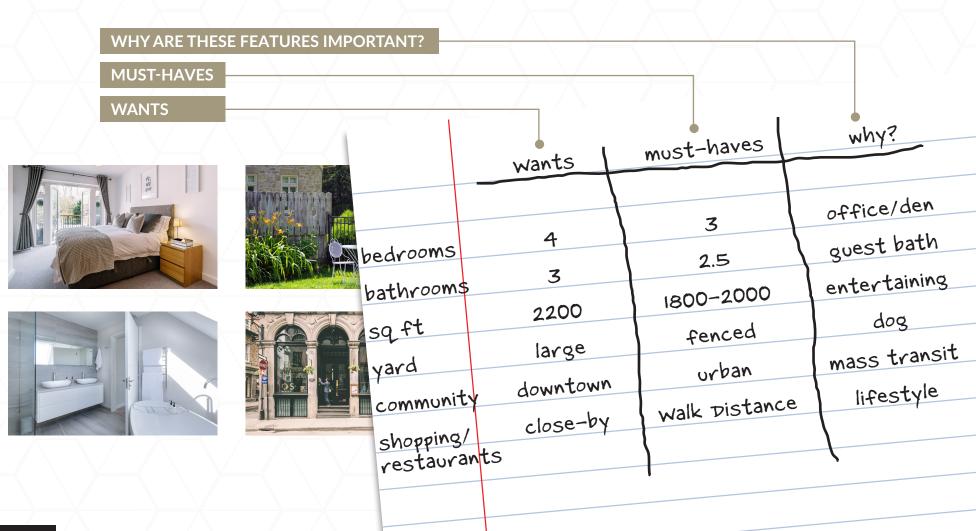




### WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU?

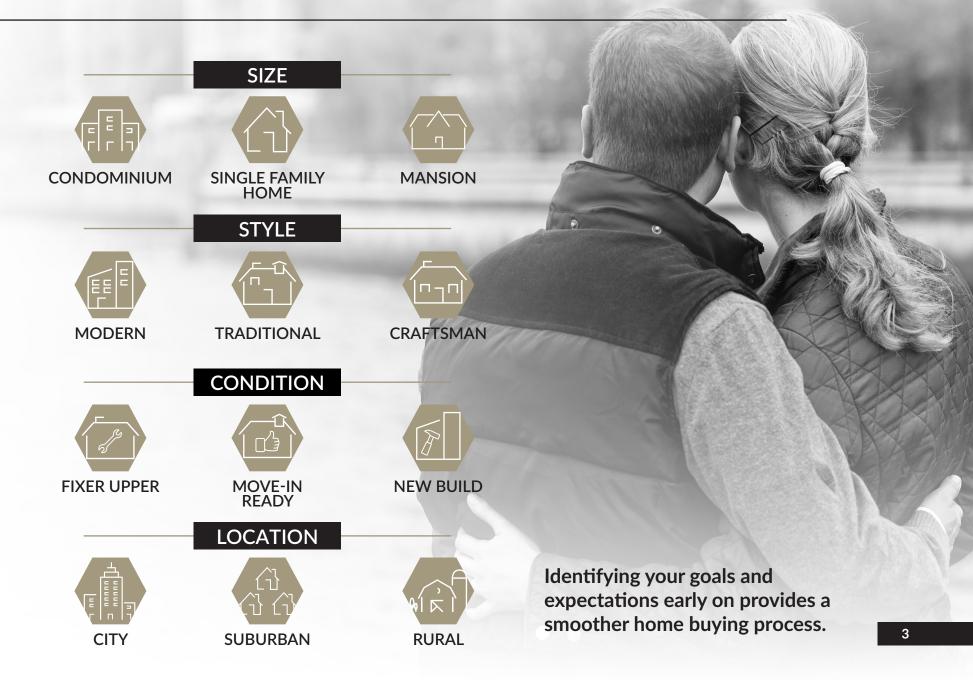
# **Define your goals and Expectations**

Define your "wants" versus your "must-haves" to determine which combination of features is most important to you.



### HOME, COMMUNITY, LIFESTYLE

# **Clarify Your Priorities**



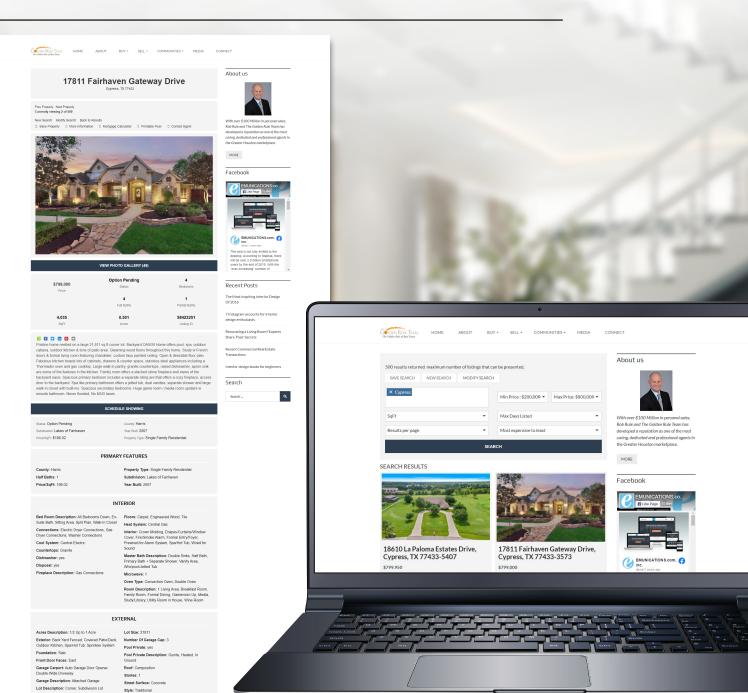
### THE HOME SEARCH

# Helping You Find Your Home

# BE IN CONTROL OF THE HOME SEARCH PROCESS

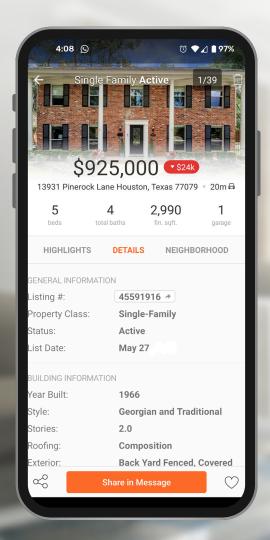
- See all listings from all companies
- Create search boundaries by community, neighborhood or favorite school
- Customize search criteria
- See large photos and detailed listing information

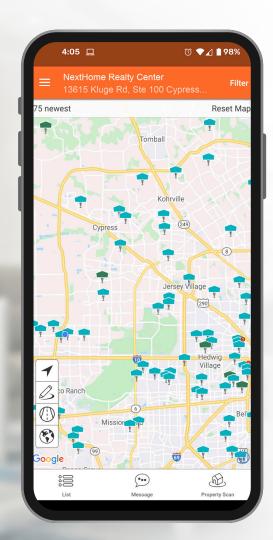
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### THE HOME SEARCH

# Helping You Find Your Home





#### **SEARCH ON THE GO**

- ► The NextHome Mobile Connect App allows for easy access to search for homes anywhere, anytime.
- The GPS feature allows you to see all properties (active and pending) in your vicinity.



We've got you covered with all the tools you need!

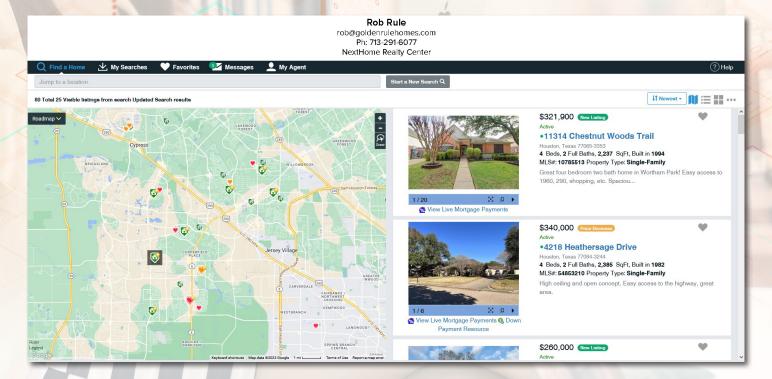
### INSTANT NOTIFICATION OF NEW LISTINGS

### Be the First to Know with The Portal

#### STAY ORGANIZED

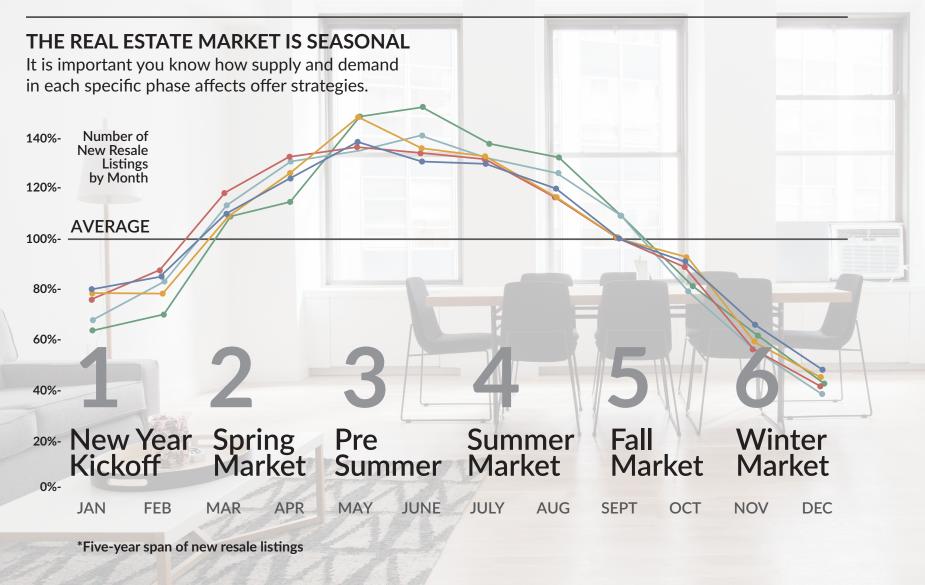
Create and manage searches and favorites through your personal Portal dashboard.

- Create and save searches
- Receive instant notifications of new listings via text or email
- Save favorites
  - Take notes
  - Rate favorites
  - Receive status and price updates



### TODAY'S MARKET STRATEGIES

# The Yearly Housing Cycle



The best time to buy a home is when the timing is right for you.

### INTERPRET THE DATA

### **Sales Activity Intensity**

Let us guide you through the data, statistics, and numbers to help you make informed, educated, and confident choices throughout the home buying process.

Knowing the key market indicators and sales activity intensity by price range for your search area will help us evaluate the velocity of the current market and develop a pricing and offer strategy.

#### **HOW DOES THE MARKET AFFECT YOU?**

### **BUYERS** MARKET Selective Buyer Activity Intensity

- ► More than 5 months of inventory
- ► More homes available for sale

### As a buyer, that means...

- ► More selection
- ► Less buyer competition
- ► Flat or softening of home prices

### **HEALTHY** MARKET Healthy Sales Activity Intensity

► 5 months of inventory is considered a healthy market

#### As a buyer, that means...

- ► Healthy buyer demand
- ► Healthy supply of homes for sale

### SELLERS MARKET High Sales Activity Intensity

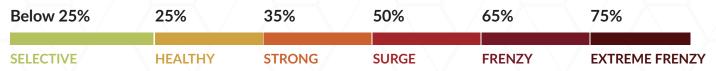
- ▶3-4 months or less of inventory
- ► Low or shortage supply of unsold inventory

#### As a buyer, that means...

- ► Less selection
- ► More buyer competition
- ▶ Potential multiple offer situations

#### SALES ACTIVITY INTENSITY SCALE

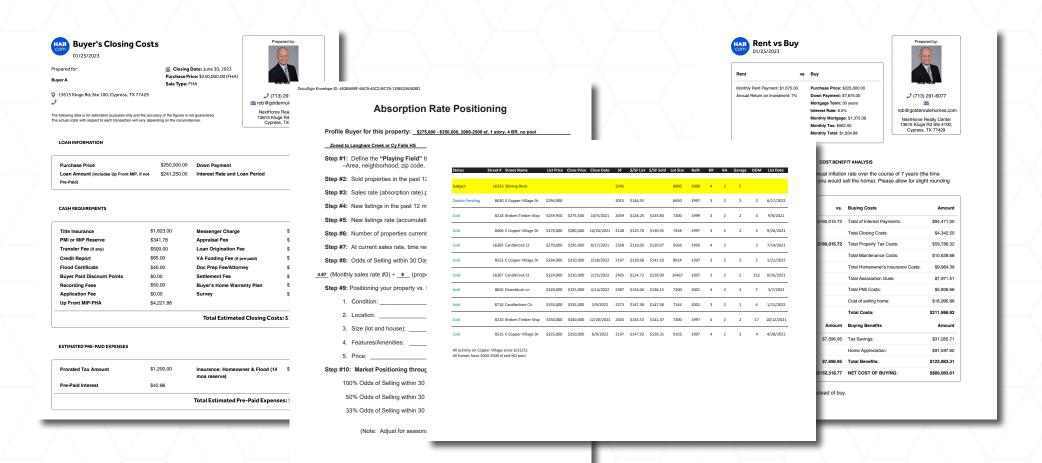
Percent of new listings pending in the first 30 days



### UNDERSTAND THE LOCAL MARKET

### Your Search Area - Your Price Range

When it comes time to negotiate for the best price and most favorable terms, we want you to feel confident you're getting the right home at the right price, aligned with your goals.



**Understand Key Market Indicators** 

# PARTNER WITH A LENDER

### **Financing Your Home**

We will partner with you and your lender to position you in the best light when competing with other offers. This will also provide any seller with a higher sense of certainty when reviewing your offer.



#### **CASH**

Full amount of the purchase price in liquid funds; not relying on any contingent source of funds.

#### **UNDERWRITING APPROVAL**

Strongest loan approval. Underwriters verify your financial capability and are ready to fund before you select a home.

#### **PREAPPROVAL**

A standard loan amount is given based on your financials and credit score.

### **PREQUALIFICATION**

An estimated amount you would likely qualify for based on basic information.

### HOW DO YOU PLAN TO FUND YOUR PURCHASE?

It is imperative you share any contingent source of funds for your home purchase with your lender and us as early as possible.

- ► Proceeds from home sale
- ► 401k / Retirement funds

- ► Future earnings / stock
- ► Gift money

### YOUR TRUSTED ADVISOR AND ADVOCATE

# **Exceptional Service & Results**

Once you've selected a property, we want you to be confident with the price and terms of your offer.

As your trusted real estate advisor and advocate, we will help you analyze recently sold data to help you determine the best offer price.

➤ We will guide you through selecting the appropriate paperwork and negotiate the most favorable buyer terms on your behalf.

Your representative throughout the **entire process** 



### THE HOME PURCHASE PROCESS

# **Keeping You On Track**



### YOUR SUPPORT TEAM

### Working Together for a Successful Closing

#### These are some of the professionals that will be involved in a successful closing:

#### **LOAN OFFICER**

Walks you through loan options, gathers documents, takes formal loan application.

#### ► LENDER/UNDERWRITER

Reviews documents from Loan Officer and gives final loan approval.

#### **► INSPECTOR**

Evaluates the property for potential issues and provides a report detailing their recommendations (buyer pays for inspection when inspection is conducted).

#### **►** APPRAISER

Estimates the market value of the home (for the bank/lender). This person is randomly selected from a pool curated by the lender and we have limited influence with this professional.

#### **►** TITLE

Protects homebuyer against loss or damage occurring from liens, encumbrances, or defects in title or actual ownership of the property.

#### **ESCROW**

Independent neutral third party by which the interests of all parties to the transaction are protected. Escrow will hold earnest money, prepare closing documents, and schedule for signing.

### HOW DO YOU KNOW WHO TO CHOOSE?

Just like The Golden Rule Team, the support team you work with should be knowledgeable, experienced and willing to work with you to complete your home purchase.

We are happy to recommend lenders, inspectors, title and escrow companies and other professionals.

# OUR COMMITMENT Helping You Make the Right Move

### 100% Buyer Representation

- Listen, discover and understand what's important to you
- ► Help you with the home search process
- ► Share key market indicators to help you make an informed decision
- ► Negotiate the purchase price and terms
- Communicate with you each step of the transaction