

# SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE

## EXTERIOR WALLS

Use caulk to seal cracks & holes in outside walls to prevent moisture from entering your home. If your home is covered with siding, check for and repair any loose nails.

## LEAKS

Check your water meter before & after a 2-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter changes, you could have a leak. Inspect sink cabinets for signs of leaks. Check your water heater and washing machine for leaks & corrosion.

## ATTICS

Look for openings in your attic or roof that would permit the entry of pests. Be sure to cover any openings with screens or vent covers.

## ROOF

Check your roof for missing shingles. Inspect seals around vents, skylights & chimney for signs of leaks and repair as needed. Remove leaves or debris from gutters. Pressure wash to get rid of mold & mildew. Use silicone sealing to repair leaks as needed.

## FENCE

Pressure wash your fence to remove built-up mildew. Repair any missing boards or broken links, and consider a fresh coat of paint if needed.

## DECK & PATIOS

Get your deck or patio in shape with a pressure cleaning! Fix any loose nails or split wood, and give it a fresh coat of stain or sealant if needed. All steps, porches and banisters should be inspected regularly for safety.

## AIR CONDITIONING

Make sure your air conditioning is working properly so you'll be ready for the warmer months ahead. It is recommended that you have your air conditioning inspected by a professional once a year.

## FOUNDATION

Examine the foundation from top to bottom for cracking, heaving, or deterioration. Seal cracks & holes as needed. If a significant number of bricks are losing their mortar or cracks are bigger than a nickel, you should call a professional immediately.