

# BUYER'S GUIDE

**BRING YOUR DREAMS INTO FOCUS** 



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### ABOUT THE HARGERS



We grew up in Colorado and are very happy to to call it our home. We love the culture, people and our beautiful mountains to adventure in. We were married in 1997 and have 4 children (3 boys and 1 girl) that we have been blessed to raise in Northern Colorado. They kept us busy running around to all sorts of activities and we loved every minute of it.

We jumped into real estate in 2013 and have enjoyed getting to use our love for people to create lasting moments for our clients. We have seen how buying a home is a huge moment in someone's life and our goal is to make sure they process is stress free and fun. We believe that our job is to educate a Buyer/Seller so they can make the best possible decision. Coming alongside someone and helping them learn and make a quality decision is very rewarding to us. It is also important to us that our clients know that we are always available for them, during and after a transaction. One of the best parts of this job is building relationships with people we never would have met and being there for them whenever they need something.

Also part of our team we have our daughter Kylie, our son Cole and our do everything assistant Emily. Together we pride ourselves on caring for our clients before, during and after their transaction. We promise to make your home buying or selling process easy, fun and memorable. We look forward to helping you live the life of your dreams.

# **69 TESTIMONIALS**

"They were such a support system for me during a rough time. They helped me to sell a property and then continued to reach out to me. Best people EVER to work with! I would never dream of going anywhere else."

"Shawn and Kari helped us sell our home and buy our new home. It was such a great experience. Their integrity, knowledge, patience, and help during the entire journey was so appreciated. I highly recommend them to anyone, whether it's a first home transaction or 10th!"

"We bought our first home with Shawn and Kari in April. They were absolutely amazing during the home buying process. As first time home buyers they took the time to educate us on the process before even looking at homes. They made sure to walk us through our first offer and show us many different homes in our budget. I would highly recommend them both for any home buying or selling experience."

# ABOUT SAM ALDERN

Member of National Association of Realtors® | Member of Colorado Association of Realtors® | Fort Collins Board of Realtors®



I am fortunate to be a native of this great state of Colorado!

I was born and raised in Denver, but I have lived in Fort Collins for 42 years. My wife, Sandy, and I raised our four sons here. Our wonderful sons and three grandsons live nearby, either in Denver or Fort Collins.

It has been my pleasure to work with C3 Real Estate Solutions since 2019, and I am honored to be in the Harger Home Team.

My former professional career was in education. I taught 6th grade for 21 years and was the principal for 12 more years, all at Beattie Elementary here in Fort Collins. The experiences in education richly blessed me with countless relationships developed over those 33 years with students, parents, and colleagues.

We enjoy the outdoors, and Sandy and I have climbed 14 Fourteeners as a special tribute. We also like traveling, bicycling, photography, and golf (well, I do!). In addition, I enjoy writing, and I am pleased that a novel I wrote, BRAD BATEMAN; BRAT RATMAN, has been published (and is available on Amazon!!).

THINGS I LIKE: Compassion and empathy, fun people who like to smile, nature, healthy food, being active

NOT SO MUCH: Onions, racism, dishonesty, inequality

#### WHY CHOOSE ME AS AN AGENT?

By living in Fort Collins for 42 years, I have experienced our city's growth into the amazing community it is. Keeping up with the various neighborhoods, old and new, is a challenge I enjoy. The multiple friendships and connections I'm fortunate to have developed over this time are enjoyable, of course, and many of them have proven helpful when helping clients with real estate. My integrity, collaborative skills, and attention to careful listening are also assets. When helping others in buying or selling a home, my pledge is to honor what you, as the client, want and need.



Sam Aldern and his team at C3 were amazing to work with. Sam went above and beyond to help make this transition smooth and effortless! His personality and patience made him a true fit. We'll forever appreciate his help, dedication, and hard work. We'll miss him and 100% recommend him and his team to future potential buyers and sellers."

"Sam Aldern has been 'my person' on two transactions. I am blessed and so grateful to have had his assistance through counsel, choice and negotiations. He is the ultimate professional, confidant and friend."

"We contracted with Sam Aldern in our search for a home in Fort Collins on recommendations of family and friends. Best decision ever! Sam guided us through the home-buying process cheerfully and patiently. He answered all of our questions and addressed all of our concerns. Sam, You Rock!"

# THE 3C'S OF REAL ESTATE







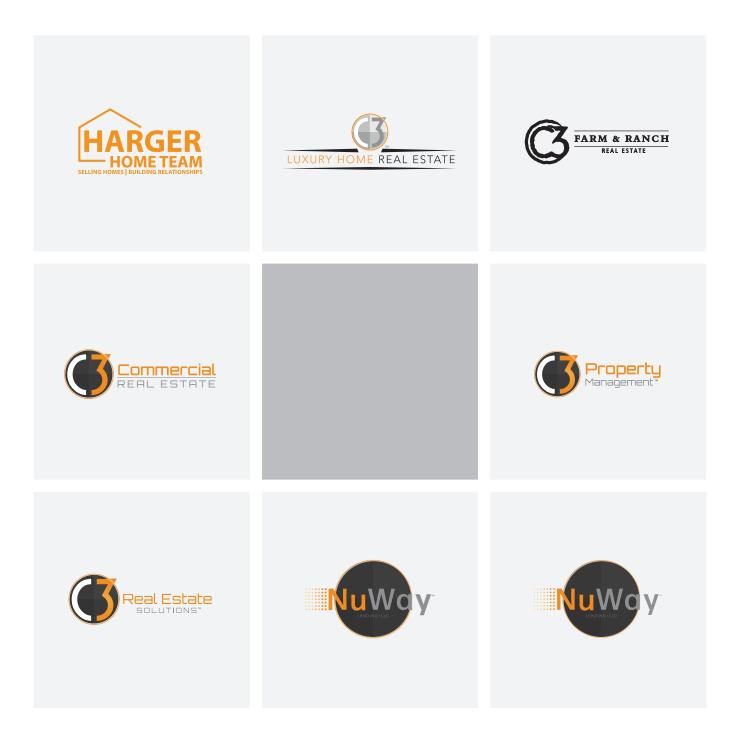
A FOCUS ON OUR CHARACTER AND OUR INTEGRITY

CULTURE THAT PUTS OTHERS BEFORE OURSELVES.

A **COMMITMENT** TO OUR CLIENTS TO ALWAYS PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE.

# C3 REAL ESTATE IN-HOUSE SERVICES

Regarded as Colorado's most respected real estate company, strengthened by four decades In the community, Kentwood provides the highest quality service and trustworthiness, producing matchless results across all our services.



# THE HOME BUYING PROCESS







### **GETTING A MORTGAGE**

When it comes to the loan process, there are several steps that one must go through. By making yourself familiar with it, you will better understand what is required of you and how you need to prepare.

#### **1. ORGANIZE YOUR DOCUMENTS**

In order to obtain a mortgage, your lender will require certain documentation from you to make sure that you will have the ability to repay the loan you take out.

#### 2. QUALIFICATION

Before you apply for a loan, getting qualified will help you establish how much you can borrow.

#### 3. FIND THE RIGHT LOAN PROGRAM

There are many loan program options. It is important to speak with your loan officer about what program will be right for you.

#### 4. OBTAIN LOAN APPROVAL

The process of obtaining loan approval involves the following steps:

- Review of loan application (be sure to fill it out completely).
- Verification of credit history, employment history, assets such as bank accounts and mutual funds, property value and any additional information that the lender might require.

#### 5. CLOSE THE LOAN

Once the loan is approved, your next step, after confirming all information is correct, will be to sign the final loan documents in the presence of a notary.







### SUCCESSFUL BUYERS TIPS

#### 1. BECOME A PRE-APPROVED BUYER

As a pre-approved buyer, you have better leverage when it comes to negotiating with the seller. The pre-approval process is simple and will help showsellers that you are a serious buyer.

#### 2. BEAT YOUR COMPETITION TO THE BEST LISTINGS

Staying on top of market trends is vital when you're looking for a home. Seeking the assistance of a professional Buyer Specialist will help you stay well informed and updated on a regular basis.

### 3. RESEARCH MARKET TRENDS IN YOUR AREA OF INTEREST

Be sure to investigate price ranges for the type of home you want. Having the help of a Buyer Specialist is a serious advantage when it comes time to make an offer.

#### 4. PROVE THAT YOU ARE A SERIOUS BUYER

There are many different ways to prove to the seller that you are sincerely interested in buying their home. From being pre-approved, larger down payment, limited contingencies and many other way. Make sure to discuss this with your Realtor<sup>®</sup>.

#### 5. DON'T SETTLE TOO FAST

Buying a home might be one of the largest investments of your lifetime. Because of this, your primary goal should be to make sure that you get the best deal possible for the home you are interested in.

#### 6. KEEP YOUR OFFER SIMPLE

The purchase contract should be kept simple and without any unnecessary conditions, especially repairs. A seller will be more interested in an offer that is not going to be slowed down or delayed by things that do not severely affect the value of the home.

#### 7. DON'T DO IT ALONE

With an ever changing market, today's home buyers will find it very difficult to go through the buying process on their own. Having an experienced Buyer Specialist who can keep your best interests in mind makes a significant impact when buying a home and maximizing your investments.





# **REMINDERS WHEN MOVING**

#### **BEFORE YOU MOVE**

- Call utilities, phone, and cable with shut off date(s) and leave forwarding address.
- Complete "change of address" card at Post Office or online. Advise magazines of changes.
- Write down mailbox number/location and garage key pad code if applicable.
- Discontinue paper delivery and trash pick-up.
- Cancel any recurring home deliveries.
- Pick up laundry and dry cleaning.
- Return library books and turn in cards.
- Close out bank accounts and transfer savings. Leave forwarding address.
- Contact stock brokers and insurance companies/agents.
- Get medical, dental, school, birth, and church records.
- Get prescriptions refilled.
- Obtain pet records for Vet.
- Contact voter registration and advise of move.
- Obtain cashiers check for down payment/closing costs on new home.
- Place warranties and instruction booklets in kitchen drawer for your new buyer.
- Be certain to bring a picture ID to closing. A driver's license or passport will be required for identification.
- Request a relocation package from your REALTOR® or the city's Chamber of Commerce.

#### AT YOUR NEW ADDRESS

- Arrange for utilities, phone, and cable.
- Contact credit card companies, banks, magazine subscriptions, etc. to inform them of new address.
- Set up mail delivery or box number for "community mail boxes".
- Register to vote; find out location of new precinct.
- Change driver's license address and register vehicle(s) if necessary.
- Arrange for trash pick-up, milk, and home delivers.
- Explore new neighborhood!

### PREFERRED LENDERS



LISA GUSTAFSON Loan Depot Sales Manager NMLS 388937 Igustafson@loandepot.com 970.214.7605



JOE WHITLOCK Universal Lending Loan Officer NMLS 858990 jwhitlock@ulc.com 702.281.5928



JIM BAILEY Senior Mortgage Loan Officer NMLS# 152579 Jim@nuwaylending.com 970-231-6856



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Bank of Colorado Vice President/Commercial Lending NMLS 1270712 deems.hargleroad@bankofcolorado.com 970.556.1590











### **RECOMMENDED PHOTOGRAPHERS**



REAL ESTATE PHOTO PROS realestatephotopros.com info@realestatephotopros.com 970.364.2951

### BOXWOOD

**BOXWOOD PHOTOS** 24/7 Bookings: based in Fort Collins & Denver

#### Adrian Martinez Co-Owner

970.556-3299 boxwoodphotos.com



### RECOMMENDED HOME WARRANTY

#### AMERICA'S 1ST CHOICE Dave Dodge dave@afchomeclub.com 229-349-6647



**PREFERRED PROFESSIONALS DISCLAIMER:** The decision of the specific professionals you use is yours to make, you are not limited to these names, you may hire any professional of your choice. We cannot guarantee the outcome or level of service provided. We have not performed any investigation or confirmation of the competency or expertise of these providers. You need to be comfortable with the service provider you select.



### PREFERRED VENDORS

#### HOME WARRANTY

America's First Choice Home Club 877-605-8350 Blue Ribbon Home Warranty 303-986-3900

#### ROOFER

Wil Dressor Anchor Roofing 970-219-1646 Brendan O'Keefe Roof Source 970-889-8444

#### MOVING COMPANY

Switchback Moving 970-305-3141 Johnson Moving and Storage 303-447-9444

#### PLUMBER

Steve Shipp Shipp Plumbing and Heating 970-215-3051 Nick Roup Roup Plumbing Services 970-301-2601

#### ELECTRICIAN

Colin Dunn Dunn Electric 970-769-6291

Caleb Heusser Bear Ridge Electric 970-702-4650

#### HANDYMAN

Todd Ellerbe 970-218-8819 Wes Kendall 970-430-8279

#### INTERIOR/EXTERIOR PAINTER

CertaPro Painting 970-223-8359 Prostar Painting 970-413-0472

#### **RADON MITIGATION**

BWise Radon 970-420-9470 SWAT Environmental 970-669-6754

#### PEST CONTROL

James Pest Control 970-482-5594 Enviropest 970-545-3065

#### HVAC

Strong Heating and Air 970-219-7572 Kahar Plumbing and Heating 970-461-2412

#### APPLIANCE REPAIR

Appliance Artisan 970-300-3433 Local Motive Appliance 970-632-8866

#### TREE SERVICE

Tanglewood Tree 970-817-3223 J&B Tree Care 970-372-2237

#### LANDSCAPING (SPRINKLERS)

Aquascapes 970-674-1456 NoCo Landscapes 970-214-4689

#### GARAGE DOOR SERVICE/INSTALLATION

Garage Gadgetry 970-568-6160 Summers Garage Doors 970-930-1932

#### LABOR AND STAFFING

Laborjack 833-527-5225

#### HARGER HOME TEAM SELLING HOMES | BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

### HELPFUL NUMBERS

#### FORT COLLINS

#### Boxelder Sanitation (Sewer)

970-498-0604 P.O. Box 1518 3201 E. Mulberry, Unit Q Fort Collins, CO 80524 www.boxeldersanitation.com

#### Chamber of Commerce-

Fort Collins 970-482-3746 225 S Meldrum Fort Collins, CO 80521 www.fortcollinschamber.com

### City of Fort Collins (Water, Sewer, Electric)

970-212-2900 300 Laporte Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80521 www.fcgov.com

#### Colorado State Patrol

970-484-4037 www.csp.state.co.us

#### Comcast Cable

888-824-4010 1201 University Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80521 www.comcast.com

#### Fort Collins Coloradoan

(Newspaper) 970-224-7777 www.coloradoan.com

#### Water District (ELCO) (Water)

970-493-2044 232 S. Link Lane Fort Collins, CO 80522 www.elcowater.org

#### Fort Collins/Loveland Water

#### District (Water) 970-226-3104

5150 Snead Drive Fort Collins, CO 80525 www.fclwd.com

#### Poudre School District

970-483-7420 2407 LaPorte Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80521 www.psd.k12.co.us

#### West Fort Collins Water (Water)

970-484-4881 PO Box 426 Laporte, CO

#### South Fort Collins Sanitation

District (Sewer) 970-226-2484 2560 E County Road 32 Fort Collins, CO 80528 www.fclwd.com

#### Xcel Energy (Gas, Electric)

800-895-4999 www.xcelenergy.com Fort Collins, CO

#### Transfort (Bus System)

970-221-6620 250 N Mason Fort Collins, CO, 80524 www.fcgov.com/transfort

#### US Post Office-Fort Collins

970-225-4100 301 E Boardwalk 800-275-8777 301 S Howes Street 970-282-8003 2601 S Lemay Avenue 970-225-0733 1119 W DrakeRoad www.usps.com

#### Larimer Sheriff (Information)

970-498-5100 www.co.larimer.co.us/sheriff

#### LOVELAND

#### City of Loveland (Water, Sewer, Electric, Trash)

970-962-2111; 970-962-2000 503 N Lincoln Avenue Loveland, CO 80537 www.ci.loveland.co.us Loveland Daily Reporter Herald (Newspaper) 970-669-5050 www.lovelandfyi.com

Loveland Parks & Recreation 970-962-2386 www.ci.loveland.co.us

Loveland Police (Non-Emergency) 970-667-2151 www.ci.loveland.co.us

#### COLT (City of Loveland Tran-

sit) 970-962-2700 www.cityofloveland.org

#### Chamber of Commerce-

Loveland 970-667-6311 5400 Stone Creek Circle Loveland, CO 80538 www.loveland.org

#### McKee Medical Center

(Hospital) 970-669-4640 www.bannerhealth.com

#### US Post Office-Loveland

970-663-3010 446 East 29th Street Loveland, CO 80538 www.usps.com

#### Thompson School District

970-669-3940 www.thompson.k12.co.us

#### Humane Society-Larimer (Animal Control)

970-226-3647 www.larimerhumane.org

#### GREELEY

#### Greeley Schools

970-348-6000 1025 Ninth Avenue Greeley, CO 80631 www.greeleyschools.org

### HELPFUL NUMBERS

### AT&T Broadband (Windsor cable)

970-351-0669 3737 W. 10th Greeley, CO 80634 www.att.com

### City of Greeley (Water, Sewer, Storm)

970-350-9729 1000 10th Street Greeley, CO 80634 www.greeleygov.com Central Weld County Water District

970-352-1284 2235 2nd Avenue Greeley, CO 80631 www.cwcwd.com

#### WINDSOR

#### Town of Windsor (Sewer, Water)

970-686-7476 301 Walnut Street Windsor, CO 80550 www.ci.windsor.co.us

#### Weld RE-4 School District (Windsor)

970-686-8000 1020 Main Street Windsor, CO 80550 www.weldre4.k12.co.us

#### Poudre Valley Rural Electric

(REA) (Electric) 970-226-1234 PO Box 277550

#### WELLINGTON

Town of Wellington (Water) 970-568-3381 www.townofwellington.com

#### MILLIKEN

City of Milliken (Cable) 800-480-7020 www.millikenco.gov

#### City of Milliken (Water, sewer)

970-587-4331 www.millikenco.gov/waterwaste water-department

#### SEVERANCE

Town of Severance (Water) 970-686-1218 www.townofseverance.org

#### JOHNSTOWN

Town of Johnstown (Water, Sewer, Trash) 970-587-4664 101 Charlotte Johnstown, CO 80534 www.townofjohnstown.com

#### **EVANS**

#### City of Evans (Water)

970-339-5344 1100 37th Street Evans, CO 80620 www.cityofevans.org

### Humane Society-Weld (Animal Control)

970-506-9550 1620 42nd Street Evans, CO 80620 www.weldcountyhumane.org

#### EATON

#### Town of Eaton (Water, Sewer)

970-454-3338 223 1st Street Eaton, CO 80615 www.eatonco.org

#### PIERCE

Town of Pierce (Water, Sewer, Drainage, Trash) 970-834-2851 240 E. Main Pierce, CO 80650

#### PLATTEVILLE

City of Platteville 970-785-2245 www.plattevillegov.org

#### NORTHERN COLORADO

Denver Post 303-832-3232 www.denverpost.com

#### FLEX

www.flexnoco.com Atmos Energy 1-888-442-1313 www.atmosenergy.com

#### Century Link (Telephone)

800-350-9720 www.centurylink.com

#### Qwest (Phone)

800-244-1111 www.quest.com 80527

Source Gas (Gas) 800-563-0012

#### North Weld County Water 970-356-3020

www.nwcwd.org

#### Super Shuttle

970-482-0505 www.supershuttle.com





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#### THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOU.

Because of our work ethic, past clients, friends, and family, we have earned numerous individual recognitions such as Rookie of the Year, Best in the Business, Best in the Nation, Top Producer, Platinum Service, and many more.

Together, we offer world-class service with unparalleled results in residential, luxury, farm & ranch, commercial and property management!





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