



How to Be a Good Neighbor

A little consideration goes a long way when you live in a community. From first-time homebuyers to longtime residents, most everyone can agree that a clean and friendly neighborhood helps encourage community harmony. Here's how you can be a good neighbor beyond just a smile and a wave:

- Welcome any new neighbors to the community with a handwritten note or stop by and introduce yourself.
- Make sure that the outside of your home, including your yard, is well-kept and complies with your association's rules.
- Be mindful of noise—loud music, barking dogs, power tools—that may disrupt the neighborhood beyond a reasonable hour.
- If you throw a big party, communicate your community's parking rules with your guests, end the event at a reasonable hour, and invite your neighbors to join in the fun!
- If you borrow something from your neighbor, return it promptly and in the same condition they lent it to you and express your thanks.
- Replace anything of your neighbor's that you, your children, or your pets break.
- Respect your neighbor's privacy.
- Offer to take care of mail pick-up, plants, or pets while your neighbor is on vacation.
- Be social! Inviting a neighbor over for coffee and conversation fosters new friendship and keeps your neighborhood warm and welcoming.