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TOP 10 MUST DOs

Have AC and heating systems serviced by a professional. Time: 1 hour Cost: \$80
Clear away all leaves and debris from the AC condenser unit. Time: 15 min. Cost: FREE
Clean all rain gutters and downspouts; make repairs, if needed. Time: 1 hour Cost: FREE
Clean debris off roof. Check for loose or damaged roof shingles or flashing. Repair, if needed. Time: 30 min. Cost: FREE
Clean and repair window screens. Clean tracks and lubricate. Time: 2 hours (more for repairs) Cost: \$10 (if repairs are needed)
Clean lint from the clothes dryer's exhaust pipe. Time: 30 min. Cost: \$10 for vent brush
Lubricate all exterior hinges, gates, garage door tracks, and locks. Time: 30 min. Cost: \$10
Sharpen all garden tools and inspect condition of your wheelbarrow. Time: 30 min. Cost: \$10
Prepare all flowerbeds and plants. Time: 2 hours Cost: varies
Reverse ceiling fans to counterclockwise direction to blow air down. Time: 15 min. Cost: FREE
TOTAL TIME: 8½ hours COST: \$120

IF TIME & BUDGET ALLOW

Pressure wash decks, fences, siding and driveways.
Add additional insulation to the attic.
Organize at least one closet in your home.
Dust lampshades and ceiling fan blades.
Aerate and fertilize the lawn.
Reseed all bare spots on lawn.
TOTAL TIME: 17 hours COST: \$525

A LITTLE SOMETHING EXTRA

	Flip mattresses.
	Paint the mailbox and inspect the mailbox post.
	Reorganize all DVDs, CDs, and video games.
	Take all indoor plants outside and clean.
	Test sump pump by pouring a bucket of water to activate.

TOTAL TIME: 6 hours COST: \$15

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