Talking to the BUYER

## Average List/Average Sold:

## Hot Market:

## 2. Illustration:

1. In our example we selected the $\$ 200,000$ to $\$ 400,000$ price range. The closer the average sold price is to the average list price the hotter the market. You will notice that the average list price will almost always increase above the average sold price after the sold line touches or rises above the average list. This is a natural tendency of the sellers wanting to get more from the market. If the average sold price does not react by increasing, you will see the sellers' average list price coming back down to meet the market. Be mindful that if your price range is too wide the most expensive homes can skew the average list and average sold upward. So keep your upper price range within $\$ 200,000$ of your target property's list price.
2. You can use this chart to educate the buyers about the general market trend of a specific area and price range.
3. In our example, the average sold price has increased $15 \%$ in the past 12 months. This increase is not just from home appreciation. The increase can be caused by several factors such as lower interest rates, an increase in higher salaried jobs, influx of buyers who are bringing larger amounts of cash. These factors all contribute to an increase in average sold price.
4. Now let me share with you how you can speak to your buyer.

## TALKING TO YOUR CLIENT SAMPLE DIALOG

5. Mr. \& Mrs. Buyer, first I want to tell you that this is factual Multiple Listing Data for your area and your price range.
6. One of my roles is to educate you to current and past market conditions and to help you determine the best buying strategy for your individual situation.
7. Mr. \& Mrs. Buyer, as you can see in this chart, the green line shows the average list price. In the last 15 months, the average list price has gone up from $\$ 270,000$ to $\$ 300,000$. The red line shows the average sold price. In the last 15 months, the average sold price has increased by $15 \%$, from $\$ 250,000$ to $\$ 287,500$. This trend towards increased average prices should give you peace of mind that the market is strong and stable.
