

## Tips for Mapping a Route for Foreclosure Door-Knocking

I can/did send you the foreclosure postings file in excel. This way you can sort and filter the data, and you can copy and paste into a mapping program. I discovered MapQuest has a route planning tool that allows you to import or copy and paste up to 26 properties at a time. (Google Maps also allows 26 properties to be mapped, but it doesn't have an easy import features or automatic routing like MapQuest.)

To use:

- Go to [www.mapquest.com/routeplanner](http://www.mapquest.com/routeplanner)
- Click on the "Copy & Paste Area" tab.
- Copy and paste up to 26 addresses straight from Excel...it's very easy.
- Click on the "allow MapQuest to re-order stops on your route" checkbox
- Click "Get Directions" and it will route them for you. (You might have to fix some errors and then click "Get Directions" again.)
- (Optional) Once it produces a map for you, you can drag and drop the letters by the addresses on the left to manually re-route.
- (Optional) Add your home address as the first and/or last address.
- Click "Print" or "Send To" at the top left to send the turn-by-turn directions to your email, mobile phone, or GPS.

I hope this saves you a lot of time and makes it easier for you to get to more houses and help more homeowners avoid foreclosure.

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