



# Preparing For Your Move

## 4-6 WEEKS BEFORE:

- SORT.** Decide what to keep, what to sell/give away and what to donate.
- MOVE ARRANGEMENTS.** Contract with movers/truck rental company.
- INVENTORY.** Take photos and create an inventory list.

## WEEK OF MOVE:

- CHANGE OF ADDRESS.** Notify the post office (usps.gov) and update your address with providers, creditors, and subscriptions.
- LICENSING.** Get license, vehicle registrations and insurance in order.
- BANKING.** Update your address with you bank and investment accounts.
- PACK.** Label each box with the room where it should be delivered.

## MOVING DAY:

- OLD HOME.** Meet movers/pick up the truck as early as possible.
- WALK-THROUGH.** Check closets, cupboards, attic, and basement for left behind items.
- ONSITE.** Be available to answer questions and give instructions.
- UTILITIES.** Confirm that the utilities have been turned on.

## Packing Tips

### ESSENTIAL PACKING MATERIALS:

- furniture pads
- handtruck or dolly
- packing tape
- bubble wrap
- newspapers or packing paper
- scissors
- utility knife
- labels
- felt-tip markers
- cornstarch packing "peanuts"
- plenty of boxes

### HANDY ITEMS:

- scissors
- utility knife
- coffee cups
- teakettle
- trash bags
- water/beverages
- snacks
- pencil & paper
- soap
- bath towels
- shelf liner
- paper plates
- paper towels
- toilet paper
- toys/books

*Pack a "first day" box with these items that you will need right away*