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Tips For Moving



Whether going across town or across the country, moving is stressful. To make the move easier, there are people, places and things to take into account when *preparing* to move.

Prepare your Children

*Don't just surprise them, if at all possible. Keep them informed & involved.

*Help your children say goodbye to the old neighborhood, their school, their friends, & their favorite places.

*Encourage your children to swap addresses/phone numbers with friends. You could even buy them their own address book & provide cards with their new address/phone number to hand out to friends.

*Introduce them to the new house, neighborhood, etc. prior to the actual move if possible.

*Involve them in packing their own clothes, toys, & personal effects. The more they participate, the more they will accept the move.

If you have Pets

*Plan for how you will transport your pet & get them used to that transportation. Provide



a pet carrier for your pet's comfort & safety.

*Have your pet seen by your veterinarian & ask if sedation is needed for the move. While there, obtain copies of your pet's medical records
*Let your pet make the trip a bit hungry. It will be easier in case your pet gets sick. Provide plenty of water.

Packing to Move

*Moving is a wonderful opportunity to clean out closets, drawers, the garage & attic as you begin to pack. Set aside an area where you can collect all the items you don't want to take to your new home.

*Have a garage sale with all your extra stuff or give it to friends or your local charity.

*Unless the items you're packing are light, it's best to use smaller boxes. Mark each box with the room it's to go in your new home & a note about its contents.

*Having each family member pack their own things will make them responsible, not you, if something is missing.

Loading the Van

*Balancing the items in the moving van is vital to a safe delivery of your household items. Place majority of the weight in the front of the van & balance the load from side to

side to prevent swaying.

*Mattresses & other soft items, such as sofa cushions (covered for protection) can be used to help cushion & protect furniture.

*Stack boxes according to size & weight. Heaviest & largest down first.

*Be sure to pack & load last the items you'll need first when you arrive at your new home-i.e., linens, change of clothes, cleaning, cooking & dinner items.



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