

## **Moving Tips**

- De-clutter and get rid of unwanted items before you start to pack. Whether you donate, give away, or sell your items, lightening your load will save you time and money
- Start the packing process early. The earlier you start, the more organized and less stressed you will be
- Make a list of utilities you will need to contact to set up end of service/transfer dates and final billing details, as well as start dates for your new home
  - Electric, gas, water, phone, sewer, trash, cable, fuel (oil/propane)
- Don't forget to notify the following for address changes:
  - Bank(s): Loans, mortgages, credit cards, savings account, checking account, other investments
  - Cell phone account
  - Professional Services: dentist, doctor, accountant, lawyer, broker, insurance agency
  - Government Offices: DMV, Social Security Administrations, State/Federal Tax Bureaus, City/County Tax Assessor, Veterans Administration
  - Passport
  - Insurance providers
  - Newspaper/magazine/journal subscriptions
  - Records:
    - Schools: get copies of existing records (transcripts)
    - Medical records
    - Dental records
  - o Postal Office
    - https://moversguide.usps.com/icoa/flow.do?\_flowExecutionKey=\_cB459969D-4606-6028-DCF6- 9175B76046A3\_k305660A9-939A-AD2B-87A5-2123EF23E2AD
- If you have any prescription medications, make sure you have enough to last during your move. Make sure you transfer prescriptions to a new pharmacy in advance
- Don't wait until the last minute to book any professional services needed. Waiting until the last minute could result in paying a higher price
  - Moving services
  - Renting services
  - House cleaning services