

MOVING? YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE EVERYTHING WITH YOU

If you're like most people, you accumulate a lot of things over time. It happens gradually, just one chair, painting, bike, TV, board game, or mixing stand at a time. All those possessions add up, though, which is never more evident than when it comes time to move. A little thought and planning before moving day will make your experience much more pleasant.



MAKE YOUR DECISIONS NOW

Why lug an old couch—or pay someone to do it for you—if you're going to replace it shortly after you get to your new home? Not only can getting rid of things before the move save time and money, it will help you start fresh at your new residence without a lot of clutter.



OFFER GOOD ITEMS TO THE NEXT PERSON

If you own your current home, you can consider adding certain items that convey with the sale, such as freestanding appliances, artwork, landscaping machines, and more. (Keep in mind that most permanently installed and built-in items are considered part of the sale unless specified in the contract as an exclusion.)



SELL IT

Estate and garage sales are options to get rid of large amounts of possessions at once. Individual items can be sold online through Facebook, eBay, and other online platforms. You can also check with friends and neighbors who may have an interest in purchasing items you no longer want.



GIVE IT AWAY

Some charities may pick up large items if they are on their wish list; others have drop-off locations. You can also post items to Buy Nothing groups and ask acquaintances if they know anyone looking for the things you no longer want.



PAY SOMEONE TO HAUL OFF THE BIG STUFF

For large items in disrepair, you may have to hire a company to take it away. The good news is that you won't have to do the dirty work yourself.

Your REALTOR® can help you understand what items are included in the sale of a home you are moving from or to, and can assist if there are particular items you'd like to ensure stay with the property.

