

Make Your Move Green

Whether you're moving locally, interstate or internationally, moving can have a massive impact on the environment. Use this checklist to help reduce that impact:



Transportation Be Strategic

- ☐ Limit car trips to as few as possible, consolidate moving-related errands
- ☐ Research what moving companies are doing to limit carbon emissions
- ☐ Request hybrid moving vehicles if possible
- ☐ Determine if flying is absolutely necessary

Moving services What can you do?

- ☐ Read reviews and ask friends and neighbors for referrals for eco-friendly moving companies
- ☐ Get creative and use suitcases, duffel bags and reusable storage bins
- ☐ Source secondhand cardboard boxes. When you're finished, offer them on to someone else
- ☐ Ask the moving company about biodegradable bubble wrap and tape, or source your own
- ☐ Rent reusable tubs or crates

Eco-friendly decluttering Avoid the landfill

- ☐ Donate to thrift stores, schools or charities
- ☐ Sell items on eBay or Facebook Marketplace, or post on Freecycle
- ☐ Make a trip to a recycling center for used electronics, fabrics, etc.
- ☐ Donate canned goods to a local food bank
- ☐ Build in time to go through your belongings to avoid ditching things for the landfill

Clean responsibly Avoid harsh chemicals

- ☐ Use eco-friendly cleaners to keep toxic chemicals out of the house and the environment
- ☐ Do the research to hire someone a deep cleaner who is committed to using eco-friendly materials
- ☐ Make your own natural cleaner to save money at the same time as reducing chemical usage!

Everyday items Avoid single-use plastics and waste

- ☐ Leave out a set of silverware to avoid using plastic sets as you transition to your new home
- ☐ Keep aside a travel mug and water bottle
- ☐ Plan meals ahead to use up frozen meals and ingredients to avoid wasting them



With a little planning and a conscious effort, these tips can help make your move as eco-friendly as possible!