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Hello, I'm Merla Turner with Great Missouri Homes, and I know firsthand that moving—whether you're buying your dream home or selling your current one—can feel like a whirlwind. Between packing boxes, making calls, and keeping track of a million details, it's easy to get overwhelmed. But don't worry - I've got your back!

This moving guide was designed to be your go-to resource, covering everything from organizing your move to those often-overlooked last-minute tasks. Whether you're a meticulous planner or someone who thrives on the fly, you'll find tips, checklists, and helpful hacks to make your move as smooth and stress-free as possible.

Remember, this isn't just about relocating your things—it's about turning a page to an exciting new chapter. And I'm here to help you every step of the way. So, grab a coffee, dive in, and make this move your easiest yet.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need help with recommendations for the local Kansas City area. I'm just a call away!

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Prior to Your Move: 30 Days Out

Moving day is coming up, and the best way to avoid stress is to plan ahead. Here's a checklist of what to tackle 30+ days before your move.

DECLUTTER & ORGANIZE

- ☐ **Declutter Room by Room:** Donate, sell, or toss items you no longer need.
- ☐ **Create a Moving Binder:** Track estimates, receipts, and an inventory of your belongings.
- ☐ **Save Receipts:** Keep records for meals, lodging, gasoline, and transportation—especially if your move is work-related (tax perks!).

PACKING & SUPPLIES

- ☐ **Order & Gather Packing Supplies:** Stock up on boxes, tape, bubble wrap, markers, and specialty containers.
- ☐ **Start Packing Non-Essentials:** Begin with rarely used items like seasonal clothes, books, and decor.
- ☐ **Label Boxes Clearly:** Write the room and contents on each box—color coding is a game-changer!
- ☐ **Plan Meals:** Use up food in your pantry and freezer to avoid waste.

MOVING LOGISTICS

- ☐ **Research Moving Options:** Decide between hiring movers, renting a truck, or going the DIY route. Pay attention to special services such as moving a piano, pool table, or above-ground swimming pool.
- ☐ **Compare Estimates:** Get quotes from multiple moving companies to find the best deal.
- ☐ **Arrange Transportation:** Book movers or reserve a rental truck early.
- ☐ **Plan for Heavy Lifting:** If moving yourself, rent an appliance dolly and gather equipment to move heavy items safely.

TRAVEL PLANS

- ☐ **Plan Your Travel Itinerary:** If relocating far, book transportation and lodging early.
- ☐ **Keep Loved Ones in the Loop:** Share your travel itinerary with family or friends for safety.

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATIONS & TRANSFERS

- ☐ **Notify Your Landlord:** If renting, give proper notice to avoid penalties.
- ☐ **Notify Important Parties:** Update your address with the post office, banks, employers, and subscription services.
- ☐ **Transfer School Records:** If you have children, arrange for their school documents to be transferred.

Prior to Your Move: 2 Weeks Out

Two weeks to go! Things are getting real, but don't panic—this checklist has your back

PRE-MOVE PLANNING

- ❑ **Confirm Moving Details:** Double-check reservations with movers or rental truck companies.
- ❑ **Arrange Time Off:** Request necessary days off from work to avoid last-minute stress.
- ❑ **Assemble a Moving Team:** Recruit friends or family to help—extra hands make moving day smoother.
- ❑ **Plan for Pets and Kids:** Book pet boarding or childcare to keep moving day hassle-free.

PACKING ESSENTIALS

- ❑ **Finish Packing Non-Essentials:** Focus on items you won't need before moving day.
- ❑ **Pack Essentials Box:** Include toiletries, clothes, snacks, chargers, and must-haves for easy access.
- ❑ **Secure Valuables:** Keep jewelry, important documents, and family heirlooms with you.

TRANSPORTATION & VEHICLE PREP

- ❑ **Service Your Car:** Especially crucial for long-distance moves—check tires, oil, and brakes.

HOME PREP & CLEAN-UP

- ❑ **Clean Out Your Fridge:** Eat what you can and start cleaning shelves to prevent spills.
- ❑ **Dispose of Hazardous Materials:** Safely get rid of gasoline, paint, propane tanks, and other restricted items.
- ❑ **Collect Keys and Garage Openers:** Make sure you have all keys ready to hand over to the new occupants.

💡 **Tip:** Use suitcases to pack heavy items like books. Wheels save your back!

The Day Before You Move

The big day is almost here! The day before your move is all about final touches and prepping for a smooth transition. Below is a checklist for the day before moving.

MOVING DAY PREPARATION:

- ❑ **Keep Moving Supplies Handy:** Store tape, markers, and boxes in a designated spot to avoid accidentally packing them before you're done.
- ❑ **Pick Up the Rental Truck:** If you're handling the move yourself, grab the truck early to stay on schedule.
- ❑ **Prep Your Vehicle:** Fill up your gas tank and check the oil and tire pressure—especially important for long drives or out-of-state moves.
- ❑ **Confirm Moving Team Arrival:** Call to confirm the time and location details.
- ❑ **Prepare Payment and Tips:** If you hired movers, get cash or cards ready.

PACKING & ESSENTIALS:

- ❑ **Pack Final Essentials:** Add last-minute items like bedding, toiletries, and chargers.
- ❑ **Pack Snacks and Drinks:** Staying hydrated and fueled is key.
- ❑ **Lay Out Moving Day Clothes:** Choose something comfy and weather-appropriate.
- ❑ **Charge Your Phone:** Keep it fully charged for coordination on moving day.

HOME PREPARATION:

- ❑ **Defrost Your Freezer:** Wipe it down and dry it to avoid leaks.
- ❑ **Do a Final Walkthrough:** Check closets, cabinets, and storage spaces.
- ❑ **Review the Inventory List:** Make sure everything is accounted for.

PERSONAL CARE:

- ❑ **Get a Good Night's Sleep:** You'll need the energy!

💡 **Tip:** Keep cleaning supplies handy for any last-minute touch-ups.

Additional Checklist Items



Moving involves more than just packing boxes—there are plenty of details to handle to ensure a smooth transition. Use this checklist to cover all your bases:

WHAT TO MOVE & WHAT TO LEAVE BEHIND

- ☐ Decide which items are worth moving. Lighten your load and make some cash with a garage sale or sell items on Facebook Marketplace.
- ☐ Donate or recycle anything that won't serve you in your new home.

FINANCIAL & PERSONAL RECORDS

- ☐ **Banking:** Contact your bank to transfer accounts. Most banks can handle this via mail or email.
- ☐ **Medical & Dental:** Request records from your doctors, dentists, and eye care providers. Don't forget prescriptions and vaccination records.
- ☐ **School Records:** Obtain your children's school records for a hassle-free transfer.
- ☐ **Legal Documents:** Talk to your attorney about updating your will, especially if you are moving out of state.
- ☐ **Insurance:** Arrange to transfer existing policies or set up new ones before moving day.

HOME LOGISTICS

- ☐ **Furniture Placement:** Draw up a floor plan to show movers where furniture should go. This will save time and confusion.
- ☐ **Utility Transfers:** Coordinate the transfer of gas, electricity, water, and sewer services.
- ☐ **Delivery Services:** Cancel or transfer subscriptions, newspaper deliveries, and garbage collection services.
- ☐ **Special Movers:** Arrange for professionals to handle delicate or bulky items like pianos, pool tables, or large appliances.
- ☐ **Bills & Accounts:** Pay outstanding bills and close any local charge accounts.

PERSONAL ITEMS & LOOSE ENDS

- ☐ Retrieve personal items left at neighbors' homes, repair shops (such as shoe or appliance repair shops), dry cleaners, etc.
- ☐ Don't forget valuables stored in safe deposit boxes or at friends' homes.
- ☐ If moving far away, get professional referrals (doctors, accountants, etc.).

Additional Checklist Items

PETS, PLANTS & TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

- ☐ Make transportation arrangements for pets and plants, keeping local regulations in mind.
- ☐ Pack an arrival kit with essentials like toiletries, basic kitchen tools, a change of clothes, and chargers in case you arrive before the movers.
- ☐ Personally carry valuable items, jewelry, and important documents such as birth certificates and deeds.

FINAL PREPARATIONS

- ☐ Purchase moving insurance for extra peace of mind—standard mover liability may not cover full replacement costs. If necessary, have high-value items appraised.
- ☐ Confirm moving dates, times, and contact information with movers.
- ☐ Plan meals for moving day and stock up on snacks and water.

You'll set yourself up for a smooth, stress-free move by tackling these tasks in advance. Need help getting started or looking for professional referrals? Reach out today to Great Missouri Homes at 816-328-2887 make your move as seamless as possible!





Winning Garage Sale Tips

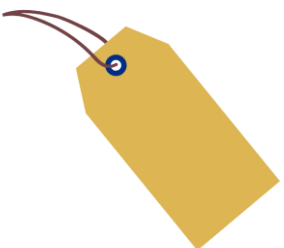
A garage sale is a great way to lighten your load before a move while making extra cash. The less you have to pack, the easier (and cheaper) your move will be. A successful garage sale takes planning, so here's how to ensure your efforts pay off.

1. Plan Ahead for the Best Turnout



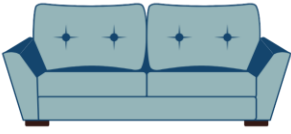
- **Choose the right date** – Weekends are best, preferably Saturday mornings. Avoid holiday weekends when people may be traveling.
- **Check community rules** – Some neighborhoods have restrictions or require permits for garage sales.
- **Advertise early** – Post on Facebook Marketplace, Facebook buy/sell Groups, and Nextdoor Neighborhood Groups. Put up flyers at coffee shops, grocery stores, and community bulletin boards.
- **Join forces with neighbors** – Multi-family sales attract more shoppers and help bring in more foot traffic.

2. Price Items to Sell



- **Be realistic** – It's a garage sale, not a retail store. Price items at 10-30% of their original value.
- **Bundle small items** – Selling baby clothes? Offer five pieces for \$10 instead of pricing each one individually.
- **Use stickers or tags** – Clearly mark prices on everything so people don't have to ask.
- **Be ready to negotiate** – People expect deals, so be flexible on pricing, especially later in the day.

3. Make Your Sale Look Inviting



- **Organize like a store** – Group similar items together (kitchenware in one spot, clothes in another).
- **Display big-ticket items upfront** – Furniture, appliances, or electronics will grab attention and pull people in.
- **Keep tables neat** – No one wants to dig through messy piles of clothing or knick-knacks.
- **Test electronics ahead of time** – Have an extension cord handy so buyers can check if the items work.



4. Get More People to Stop

- **Use signs** – Make bright, bold signs with large lettering. Keep wording simple: "Huge Garage Sale - Saturday 8 AM - 123 Main St." Include arrows pointing the way.
- **Offer free coffee, water, or lemonade** – This small gesture encourages people to linger and shop longer.
- **Have bags and change ready** – Shoppers appreciate small bills and bags to carry their finds.
- **Use digital payment methods** – Have your Venmo, CashApp, or other digital payment options printed so shoppers can scan and pay you quickly.



5. What to Do With Leftovers

- **Donate to charity** – Many organizations will take unsold items, and you may get a tax deduction.
- **Sell online** – If something didn't sell but has value, list it on Facebook Marketplace or eBay.
- **Schedule a pickup** – Some charities, like Goodwill or the Salvation Army, will pick up larger items.

Bottom Line

If you're looking to buy a home this year, know that getting pre-approved is going to be a key piece of the puzzle. With more buyers coming back to the market, this can help you make a strong offer that stands out from the crowd.



Winning Facebook Marketplace Selling Tips

Selling on Facebook Marketplace is a quick way to declutter and earn cash. With so many listings, standing out is key—here are tips to sell your stuff successfully!

1. Take High-Quality Photos

People scroll quickly, and listings with poor-quality photos often get overlooked. Listings with at least three to five clear photos tend to sell faster. To grab attention:

- Use natural lighting by taking pictures near a window or outdoors.
- Clean and declutter the area around the item so buyers focus on the product.
- Take multiple angles, including close-ups of any details or imperfections.
- Include a familiar object for scale or provide measurements in the description.

2. Write a Clear, Honest Description

A great description answers common questions upfront. Include:

- Brand, model, and condition (new, like new, or used with wear).
- Size and dimensions, especially for furniture and appliances.
- Any defects or signs of wear to avoid misunderstandings.
- Extras included, such as original packaging, manuals, or accessories.

3. Price Items Competitively

Overpriced items do not sell quickly. Research similar listings and:

- Start slightly higher than your target price to allow room for negotiation.
- Compare prices with similar items in your local area to remain competitive.
- Offer bundle deals if selling multiple related items to attract more buyers.
- Consider lowering the price by 10 to 15 percent after a few days.

Example of a Good Facebook Listing:

"Samsung 55-inch Smart TV, 4K UHD, Model XYZ. Excellent condition, works perfectly. Includes remote and power cable. No cracks or scratches."

Example of an Ineffective Facebook Listing:

"TV for sale. Works great. No holds."

4. Be Responsive and Professional

- Reply to messages quickly, as buyers often move on if they do not get a response within an hour.
- Use polite and professional language when communicating. A simple response like, "Yes, it is still available. Pickup in [location]" keeps the process clear.
- Avoid holding items for long periods. First-come, first-served is usually the best approach.

5. Arrange a Safe, Easy Pickup

- Meet in a public place like a police station, grocery store parking lot, or a designated "Meetup Spot."
- If comfortable, offer porch pickup for small items and arrange payment through Venmo, PayPal, or cash.
- Only accept cash or digital payments. Avoid checks or gift cards, as these can be scams.
- For expensive items, bring a friend or meet inside a well-lit, public location for added security.

6. Watch Out for Scammers

Facebook Marketplace is a great platform, but it does attract scammers. Be aware of these common red flags:

- Messages saying, "I will send you a code to verify your identity,"
- Buyers who overpay and then ask for a refund. Requests to ship items..
- Suspicious payment methods. Stick to cash, Venmo, or PayPal Friends & Family. Avoid PayPal Goods & Services, which includes seller fees.

7. Keep Listings Active and Visible

Facebook's algorithm favors active listings, so if an item is not selling:

- Renew the listing every seven days to push it back to the top.
- Repost with updated photos and a more detailed description.
- Lower the price slightly to generate fresh interest.

Listings that are regularly updated attract more buyers!



Packing Tips

Moving can feel like a whirlwind, but with some savvy packing strategies, you can turn chaos into a smooth transition. Whether you're hopping across town or venturing to a new state, these tips will keep you organized and stress-free.

1. Declutter Before You Pack

Before you even think about boxes, take a good look at your stuff. Channel your inner Marie Kondo and ditch anything that doesn't spark joy. Less stuff means less to pack, move, and unpack. Plus, starting fresh in your new place feels amazing.

2. Sort and Organize by Category

Instead of packing room by room, try grouping items by category. Gather all your clothes from every corner of the house, then tackle books, kitchen gadgets, etc. This method streamlines packing and helps you see what you really need.

3. Gather Quality Packing Supplies

Stock up on sturdy boxes, packing tape, bubble wrap, and markers. The right tools make the process quicker and protect your belongings. Don't skimp on supplies; your stuff deserves the best.

4. Label Boxes Clearly

Grab those markers and label each box with its contents and destination room. It'll make unpacking a breeze, and help movers know where to put things. Consider color-coding for even easier sorting.

5. Pack an Essentials Kit

Set aside a box or bag with must-haves for your first few days: toiletries, a couple of outfits, important documents, chargers, and basic kitchen supplies. Trust me, you don't want to dig through boxes for your toothbrush on the first night.

6. Protect Fragile Items

Wrap breakables like dishes and glassware in bubble wrap or packing paper. For extra security, pack plates vertically—they're less likely to break that way. Fill any gaps in boxes with packing peanuts or towels to prevent shifting.

7. Use Suitcases for Heavy Items

Roll your suitcases into action by filling them with heavy stuff like books. Wheels are your back's best friend. Plus, it frees up boxes for lighter items.

8. Disassemble Furniture When Possible

Take apart bulky furniture to make it easier to move and save space in the truck. Keep screws and small parts in labeled sandwich bags taped to the furniture pieces they belong to. You'll thank yourself during reassembly.

9. Plan for Moving Day

If you're moving out of state, pack important documents, valuables, and essentials with you in the car. Consider transporting plants and pets yourself for local moves to ensure they're comfortable. And always have snacks and water on hand—moving is hard work!

10. Enlist Help

Don't be shy about asking friends or family for assistance. Many hands make light work, and it can turn a daunting task into a fun, collaborative effort. Just be sure to return the favor or show your appreciation.

Bottom Line

Ready to make your move? Start early, stay organized, and take it one step at a time.



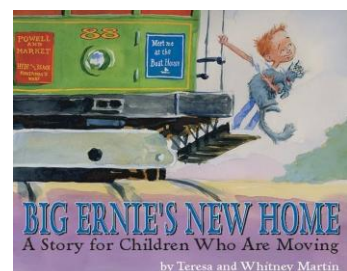
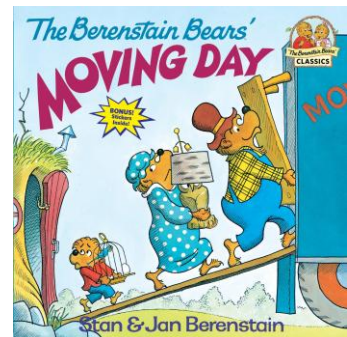
Moving With Children

Moving is stressful for adults, but for kids, it can feel like their entire world is being flipped upside down with a new house, new school, and new friends. You can turn the transition into an adventure rather than a challenge with the right approach. Here are tips to make moving easier for your children.

Prepare Your Kids Before The Move

Children handle change better when they understand what's happening. The key is to talk to them early and involve them in the process.

- Tell them about the move as soon as possible. Waiting too long can make them feel blindsided. Keep the explanation simple and positive.
- If possible, take them to the new house, school, and neighborhood. If it's a long-distance move, show them photos or online maps to familiarize them with the area.
- Highlight the positives of the move, such as a bigger yard, a fun new playground, or a room they can decorate however they want.
- Let them ask questions and express their feelings. Some may be excited, while others may feel anxious or sad. Reassure them and focus on what will stay the same.
- Reading books about moving is a great way to help younger children adjust. The Berenstain Bears' Moving Day and Big Ernie's New Home are great options.



2. Keep Moving Day as Stress-Free as Possible

Moving day is often hectic, which can be unsettling for children. A little planning can help reduce stress.

- Pack a separate "first-night" bag with their favorite stuffed animal, pajamas, books, and snacks.
- Try to keep their routine as normal as possible, including mealtimes, naps, and bedtime.
- Give them a small job, such as decorating their moving boxes or being responsible for carrying a special item.
- If you have young children, consider asking a friend or family member to watch them for the day so you can focus on the move.

For toddlers, designate a "no-pack zone" filled with their favorite toys and comfort items so they always have familiar things around.

3. Traveling With Kids During the Move

Whether driving or flying, long-distance moves can be challenging for children.

- Pack plenty of snacks to avoid crankiness. Choose mess-free, easy-to-eat options.
- Bring entertainment such as coloring books, downloaded movies, or travel-friendly games.
- Plan for frequent driving breaks to allow them to stretch and move around.
- If flying, pack comfort items like a blanket or a favorite toy to help them feel secure in an unfamiliar setting.

Creating a small "moving day surprise bag" with toys, stickers, or treats is a fun way to keep kids excited about the trip.



4. Helping Kids Adjust to Their New Home

It takes time for children to feel comfortable in a new environment. These steps can help them settle in more quickly.

- Unpack their room first, so they have a familiar space right away.
- Explore the neighborhood together by taking walks, visiting local parks, or finding fun activities.
- Maintain familiar routines, including mealtimes and bedtime rituals. Keeping things consistent provides stability.
- Help them make new friends by enrolling them in activities, visiting community centers, or introducing them to neighbors with children.

If they miss old friends, encourage them to stay in touch through phone calls, video chats, or writing letters.

5. What If They Are Struggling?

Some children adapt quickly, while others may take longer to feel comfortable.

- Be patient and allow them time to adjust. They may need extra reassurance.
- Encourage them to express their feelings through drawing, writing, or talking.
- Give them some control by allowing them to choose new decorations for their room or pick a weekend activity in the new town.
- Watch for signs of stress, such as trouble sleeping, mood swings, or changes in appetite.

If they continue to struggle, consider speaking with a school counselor or child therapist for additional support.

Final Thoughts

Moving is a big change, but children will adjust in time with preparation and patience. Keeping routines stable, allowing them to express their emotions, and helping them get excited about their new home can make a big difference.

In addition to preparing your kids for the move, let them know that they can come to you at any point to talk about how the transition is going, or to ask for advice. “The most powerful question you can ask over and over during the move is ‘What can I do to help you?’ Usually, kids have a pretty good answer to this.” - Jacey Eckhart



Moving Homes With Pets



Moving can be confusing and a source of anxiety for pets. They don't understand why their home is suddenly disappearing, why strange people are carrying off their stuff, or why they're suddenly in a moving vehicle for hours. Whether you're moving across town or the country, here's how to make the transition easier for your furry (or scaly!) family members.

1. Prep Before The Move

Moving is overwhelming, and the last thing you need is scrambling for your pet's essentials at the last minute

Update ID tags & microchip info. If your pet bolts during the chaos of moving, you want to ensure they can be found.

Find a new vet. If moving long-distance, research vets in your new area and get your pet's records transferred.

Stock up on supplies. Get extra food, meds, and familiar toys to keep them comfortable during the transition.

Check airline policies. If flying, review pet travel guidelines and book a direct flight if possible.



💡 **Tip:** Keep a recent photo of your pet in case they get lost during the move and have your pet's microchip number in your wallet.

2. Plan for Moving Day

Moving day is noisy, chaotic, and filled with people going in and out—a perfect recipe for a pet escape.

Secure your pet in a quiet space. A bathroom, spare room, or crate can keep them safe while movers work.

Keep routines as normal as possible. To reduce anxiety, try feeding, walking, and playing with them at their usual times.

Use calming aids. If your pet is prone to stress, talk to your vet about anxiety meds, pheromone sprays, or calming treats.

💡 **Tip:** Don't pack their food and bowls in a moving box! Keep essentials easily accessible.



3. Traveling with Pets

A long drive or flight can be nerve-wracking for pets. Here's how to keep them comfy:

For Dogs & Cats:

Crate or harness them for safety. A loose pet in a car is a danger to both of you. Use a pet carrier or seatbelt harness.

Take plenty of breaks. Stop every few hours for bathroom breaks and water.

Never leave them alone in the car. Even mild temperatures can be deadly in a parked vehicle.

Bring familiar items. A blanket, toy, or something that smells like home can be comforting.

For Small Pets (Birds, Hamsters, etc.):

Keep them in a well-ventilated cage. Cover with a light blanket to reduce stress.

Avoid extreme temps. Don't place them near vents or in direct sunlight.

Limit handling. Small pets can get easily stressed, so keep them as still as possible.

For Fish:

Moving aquariums long distances is challenging. If you can't transport them safely, consider giving them to a friend and restocking them in your new home.

4. Helping Pets Adjust to a New Home

The move isn't over once you arrive—your pet still needs time to settle in.

Introduce them to one room at a time. Too much space at once can be overwhelming.

Stick to routines. Keep feeding, walks, and playtime as close to normal as possible.

Supervise outdoor time. Even if your pet is normally great off-leash, the new environment can be disorienting.

Give them time. Some pets take days (or weeks!) to adjust, so be patient.

💡 **Tip:** If your dog seems anxious, take them on extra walks to explore their new neighborhood and burn off nervous energy.

5. What If You Can't Take Your Pet?

Sometimes, moving with a pet isn't possible (strict HOA rules, long overseas moves, etc.). If you must rehome them:

Try family & friends first. Someone they already know will make the transition easier.

Work with a reputable rescue and avoid sketchy online ads to ensure your pet goes to a loving, responsible home.



Final Thoughts

Moving is a big change, but with a little prep, your pet will adjust just fine. The key is keeping them comfortable, safe, and stress-free.


Moving With Plants: What You Need to Know



Plants are like your leafy little family members—sensitive, particular, and not always thrilled about big changes. Moving them can be tricky, but with the right prep, they can survive (and even thrive) in their new home. Here's what you need to know:

1. Some States Have Rules About Moving Plants


If you're crossing state lines, check agricultural regulations. Some states have strict rules about bringing plants to prevent pests and diseases.

 **Tip:** Call the USDA or your state's agricultural department to check before moving.

2. Prune & Prep Your Plants Before Moving

A few weeks before moving:

- Trim dead leaves and branches.
- Repot in lightweight plastic pots if they're in heavy ceramic ones.
- Water them a few days before moving—moist, but not soaking wet.

 **Tip:** A bug-infested plant is not a fun road trip buddy. Treat plants for pests before the move by placing a flea collar or bug strip in a plastic bag overnight.

3. Pack Plants Properly for Transport

Whether you're driving or using movers, plants need protection.

- Use sturdy boxes and secure plants upright with crumpled newspaper.
- Poke air holes in boxes to allow ventilation.
- Cover the soil with plastic wrap to prevent spills.
- Keep plants in a climate-controlled area—avoid putting them in the moving truck where extreme temps can fry or freeze them.

 **Tip:** Label the box "**LIVE PLANTS – DO NOT STACK**" so movers know to be careful.

4. Be Strategic About Where You Put Plants in the Car

In winter: Keep plants warm by placing them inside the car (not the trunk) and wrapping them in light blankets.

In summer: Keep them cool by parking in shaded areas and cracking the windows when stopping.

💡 **Tip:** Plants can get car sick! Secure them to prevent tipping, and avoid leaving them in the car for long periods.

5. Acclimate Plants to Their New Home

Plants hate sudden change. Once you arrive:

- Unpack them ASAP.
- Place them in similar lighting conditions to what they had before.
- Water lightly and let them settle before repotting.
- Gradually introduce them to new light levels to prevent shock.

💡 **Tip:** If a plant looks sad post-move, resist the urge to overwater. Give it time to adjust!

6. What If You Can't Take Your Plants?

If you're moving far and can't take your plants, here's what to do:

- **Gift them to friends, family, or neighbors.**
- **Donate to a local school, nursing home, or botanical garden.**
- **Take cuttings** from your favorite plants to re-grow them in your new home.

Final Thoughts

Moving with plants takes extra care, but it's doable. With some preparation and TLC, your plants will transition just fine—giving your new home an instant cozy, green vibe.





Let's Chat.

I'm sure you have questions about the real estate process, what to expect moving to the Kansas City area, and what's happening in the market too. I can help with all of those.

I'd love to talk with you about what you've read here and help you on the path to buying or selling your home. My contact information is below, and I look forward to working with you.



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