

# **Cutting Costs**

Here are a few smart moves you can make to save money.

#### Leave Large Items Behind



Cost of new swing set:

\$225

Cost of moving old swing set:

\$275

#### **Charitable Donations**



Donate unwanted items to charity-including vehicles-and keep an itemized receipt. You may be able to write certain items off on your taxes!

Also, if you're moving for your job, you may be able to deduct transportation, lodging, meals, etc., associated with your move.

Average write-off for donating a vehicle to charity:

\$1,500

### Have a Garage Sale



Your trash might be someone else's treasure. Have a garage sale a few weeks before your move to make some extra cash.

Average sale price of a lawn mower at a garage sale:

\$50

#### **Pack Right**



Believe it or not, packing correctly can save you lots of money in the long run, especially if you have your items packed by a professional. Pack fragile items—like fine china—securely, but give them some "breathing room" to avoid breakage.

Average cost of a new set of china:

\$500

## **Food Bank Donation**



Reducing weight for your move will reduce the cost. By donating unopened canned and dry goods from your pantry to a local food bank or to our *Move For Hunger* charity partner, you will not only reduce weight and boxes from your move, you will help those in need.

Average cost for restocking a basic pantry for the season:

\$56

