

## TIPS ON PACKING

- Have your rugs and comforters cleaned before you move. Leave them in the cleaners plastic or wrapping for protection.
- Seal liquids to prevent leakage and pack them into a sturdy plastic container. Seal medicines and smaller liquid items into Ziploc type bags to prevent them from leaking.
- If you are moving across town, think about keeping your clothes on their hangers and simply move them in your car. Also, moving company wardrobe boxes allow you to hang your clothes and keep them from wrinkling.
- Keep all-important documents and valuables with you. Don't pack anything that you cannot replace.
- If you are doing a double move and have to store your furniture, consider using a mobile mini storage unit. That way you will only have to load and unload your things one time.
- Use boxes that are in good condition and secure them tightly with strapping tape on the bottom and the top. Boxes can be purchased from any moving company; however, if you want to save money, find a friend that has recently moved or ask your REALTOR® if they know any past clients who might want to donate their old boxes.
- Do not load more than 50 pounds into any one container and try to distribute the weight evenly.
- Cushion contents with newspaper or some other packing material to prevent items from breaking. Towels and sheets are great for wrapping fragile items. Cloth napkins and paper plates are also good separators for dishes.
- Label each box with its contents, which room it will go in, and whether it is fragile.
- Pack heavier items such as books into smaller boxes in order to keep their weight down.