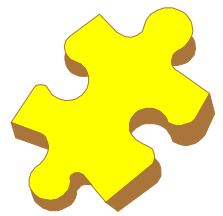


# Moving Solutions®



## The Twelve Months of Moving

### January

### Shoes

Do you have shoes that are uncomfortable, old favorites that are out of date, shoes bought to match an outfit you no longer have? If you haven't worn them during the last year, get them out of your closet and give them away.



### August

### Table Linens

Remember the entertaining you used to do? Do you want to do all that work again? Take the table cloths, cloth napkins and napkin rings you haven't used during the past year and give them away. A young person will be thrilled to get them.



### February

### Purses

Do you have purses you've used for a thousand years? Maybe it's time for them to retire. Bags that are too large, too small, too dressy, too informal, or simply too many? If you haven't used the purse in two years, give it away.



### September

### Towels, blankets, linens

Do you have linen for beds you no longer have? Bedspreads for rooms that have since been redone? Miscellaneous towels and sheets that aren't part of sets? Select three sets of sheets for your bed, two for a guest bed, and three nice sets of towels. Donate the rest.



### March

### Tools

Do you have collections of nuts and bolts that have been lovingly gathered, drawers of nails, containers of molly bolts? Will you really need the saw, electric drill and ratchet wrench at your new home? Select a small set of tools to keep, and make a handsome gift of the rest to someone just starting out.



### October

### Baking supplies

### plies

When was the last time you used your tart pan, jello molds, cake pans, rolling pin, muffin tin, spring form pan, sifter, electric beater, flan dish, trifle bowl or cookie press? They served you well; let them enhance the pantry of another aspiring baker.



### April

### Pots and pans

When was the last time you used your lobster pot, chafing dish, electric fry pan, fondue pot, thirty cup coffee urn, waffle maker? How many frying pans, dutch ovens, and sauce pans will you need? Your cookware served you well for many years; offer them to a young person setting up a first apartment.



### November

### Alcoholic beverages

Examine your liquor cabinet. Do you have containers with one half inch of contents left? Bottles that pre-date the Eisenhower era? Discard any liquor you haven't used in two years; you'll never drink it again!



### May

### Coats, hats, gloves

Inventory your coats, jackets, scarves, gloves and hats. Do you have gloves with no mates? Scarves and hats that don't match your coat? Your excess outerwear could make a world of difference to a homeless person. If you haven't worn something in two years, donate it to a shelter.



### December

### Bric-a-brac

How many do you have of the following: candle sticks, salt shakers, coffee mugs, twist ties, plastic bags, plastic containers, extension cords, flashlights, electric timers, calendars, radios, etc? How many do you really need? Make a New Year's resolution to pick your favorites and lighten up your life!



### June

### Gift wrap, boxes, cards

Do you save used gift wrap and bows? Last year's Christmas cards? Empty gift boxes? Recycling is a wonderful habit. Select what will fit in ONE box, and donate the rest to a nursery school for art projects.



### July

### Food items

Empty your pantry. Check expiration dates and discard any items that have expired or are over one year old. If you haven't used a food item during the past year, you won't use it next year either. (By the way, this is a great way to protect against pantry moths). Start using up your inventory, especially items that are almost empty.



Lastly, take all the brand new things you are saving... the fancy nightgown, the new sheets, the fluffy towels, the gourmet jelly, the down pillow, the cashmere gloves...whatever it is that you have had for years but not used because it was too good... and start using it!

**Moving Solutions** helps older adults downsize and relocate to smaller homes. Services include: pre-move planning and preparation, sorting and organizing, developing floor plans, scheduling and overseeing movers, professional packing and unpacking, reorganizing the new home, and arranging for the profitable sale or disposal of unwanted items.  
**For more information, call 610-853-4300 or visit our web site at [www.movingsolutions.com](http://www.movingsolutions.com).**