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## AVOID BEING PENNY WISE AND POUND FOOLISH WHEN PLANNING YOUR MOVE

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There's an old saying about being penny wise and pound foolish, and I see this play out often in the moving industry.

When anticipating moving your home or business, you have the option to hire a moving company or doing it yourself. Although people assume DIY is the economical way to go, hiring a professional mover can, in fact, save you time, stress and even money.

Think about it. By doing it yourself, you have to rent a truck, determine supplies/moving equipment and other incidentals. You need to transfer your possessions from Point A to B safely and efficiently, and find helpers.

Few are qualified or willing to get behind the wheel of a moving truck, so likely what you end up with is a cargo van, which requires more than one trip. You ask a few friends and/or family members to help with the reward of cold beverages and pizza, but at the last minute, some of them do not show up. Those who do are probably not trained in things like how to lift boxes without hurting their backs. There is much more chance of injury when people move themselves.

The most common reason why people opt for DIY is expense, be-

cause they assume that longtime, recognized, national-brand movers are expensive. Relocation specialists offer skilled, trained, bonded, uniformed and experienced movers who have the same goal in mind as you – to move your items as quickly and safely as possible.

Many movers such as **TWO MEN AND A TRUCK®** - Canada offer a free, no obligation in-home estimate so you know exactly where you stand should you choose to hire them. Many people don't realize what it takes to move; you may be surprised at the cost and what it covers. If you hire professionals to pack as well, we have all the supplies that ensure safe traveling for all categories of possessions, from heavy books to fragile lamps. Our boxes, for example, come in standard sizes so they can be stacked in the moving van to maximize space.

We have dollies, stretch wrap, blankets and ties for securing items to the van walls. The goal is to get everything in the truck secured, so it does not shift during travel. Do-it-yourselfers likely lack the know-how to do this effectively. Even if you do decide to pack your own belongings, consider purchasing professional packing materials from a reputable mover.

Whether you are moving your residence belongings or transfer-

ring office furniture, equipment and files, moving specialists know what to plan for and how to arrange the logistics. You may have a narrow window of opportunity because of booking elevators in a condominium, for example. We make it our business to take on the headaches of the move for you. Moving is one of the most exciting – and stressful – life steps you can take. Enlisting a professional mover is a fabulous stress reducer.

If you are planning a move, think through the steps needed and keep an open mind to your options. Sure, you can do it yourself, but do you really want to? DIY will likely cost you more in time, money and aggravation. When you look at the big picture, hiring professional movers may be one of the best relocation decisions you could make!

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