

Moving

Here are some entries plucked from a detailed list of tasks the *Gurus* handle for families on the move:

- ✓ **Purchase packing supplies**
- ✓ **Arrange for donation or sale of unwanted items**
- ✓ **Coordinate estimates, scheduling, and supervision of services** — home repairs and improvements, interior designers, and movers
- ✓ **Serve as contact for relocation company, when necessary**
- ✓ **Manage home-closing date and details**
- ✓ **Cancel/transfer various services** — housecleaning, lawn maintenance, insurance policies; utilities; TV and cable; subscriptions; bank accounts; home security
- ✓ **Notify family, friends, medical personnel, and creditors of pending move**
- ✓ **Take video inventory of possessions**
- ✓ **Plan moving itinerary**
- ✓ **Make travel plans**

- ✓ **Gather important documents/emergency numbers, and maintain in safety box**
- ✓ **Make arrangements for special transportation** — elders, pets, plants, antiques, collectibles
- ✓ **Return library books and videos**
- ✓ **Retrieve items out for cleaning/repair**
- ✓ **File change-of-address forms**
- ✓ **Get referrals from medical personnel, educators, clergy**
- ✓ **Collect new community information from Chamber and Visitor's Bureau**
- ✓ **Plan for childcare and meals on moving day**
- ✓ **Supervise and direct movers**
- ✓ **Leave instruction manuals and keys behind for new owners**
- ✓ **Tidy up empty house**