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The Joy of Moving and What I have Learned



As you may recall, last Summer I wrote about the stress of preparing to sell your house and selling it based on my own personal experience of selling my own home.

A year later I am moving into my new home and have learned a few things that I am happy to share with you.

I sold my home furnished and I am so glad I did. First, I didn't have to move all of that stuff. I had a bedroom set and a dining room set in storage that I am moving into my new place. But now I am wondering if it will fit. The space is different than my former home and the style has changed. I had my furniture for almost 25 years moving it from place to place. I was pretty tired of it and decided it was time for a change.

When shopping for new furniture, have a style in mind. It will make it easier to focus. After much searching online and in retail stores down in Denver, it helped me to crystallized the style I was looking for. I stopped by the local furniture store and worked with one of their interior decorators.

They were a god send. They provided many new ideas that I had not even considered and helped me to make sure I wasn't making any design mistakes like matchy/matchy and that the contrasting patterns were not over the top.

Even though I had ordered some custom pieces, the prices were not more than the retail stores and I got exactly what I wanted.

Allow time for manufacturing and deliveries. I had this belief that as soon as I found what I wanted, I could have it within the week. Well it's a good thing I haven't planned my first party yet. Most things require a 6 to 8 week lead time. So I will be sitting on camp chairs in the Living Room while I wait for my new furniture to arrive.

When putting your belongings away in your new place, think about how you would like to be organized. I am always wishing I were more organized so I have been focusing on what I can do as I move in to be better organized. I figure if I set it up as being organized, I have a greater

chance of success. I won't have the time later to redo it. Pinterest was a great site for ideas on how to be better organized.

Do your homework to make sure you are not overpaying for materials. As part of my organization goal, I wanted to have a custom closet system installed. There were several websites that allow you to plan your own closet. I was able to play around with various components to determine what I really wanted and needed in a closet. It also helped to raise my awareness of what a closet system cost. Then I called the Custom Closet Designer and it made the process go much faster. I did the same with Window Coverings. I set up appointments with several Window Covering consultants to understand what to think about when picking them out. The time spent learning helped me to feel confident in my choices. It also helped me to find what I wanted through less costly avenues as well. I also spoke with a couple of my new neighbors to find out how they approached it and got some leads that way too!



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- [What's your plan should a recession happen?](#)
- [Changes to rental month-to-month notification periods](#)
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