What to do between Loan Closing and Moving Day

The more you can accomplish during this time, the faster you'll get to the fun part - enjoying your new home!

- Hook up your utilities, including:
 - Water/Sewer
 - Cable and Internet
 - · Electricity and Gas
 - Trash and Recycling
 - Security Monitoring System
- Change your address:
 - USPS (request mail forwarding)
 - Driver's License and Voter Registration
 - · Bank and Creditors
 - Employer
 - Healthcare Providers
 - Subscriptions
- Change your locks it's cheaper to have them rekeyed and hide a spare key in a safe place. Reset your garage door opener and security codes.
- Review your inspection report:
 - · Rank projects in order of importance
 - Create a Home Maintenance Schedule
- Do a deep clean:
 - Tackle projects like painting and carpet cleaning before you moving in
 - Replace filters, batteries, and light bulbs as needed
 - Add to your Projects list and Home Maintenance Schedule
- Get familiar with your new home. Locate your HVAC filters, water shut off valves, fire and carbon monoxide detectors, and circuit breakers (be sure they're labeled).

- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and check the age of each unit. (Many smoke detectors should be replaced after 10 years.) This is the time to install/replace these items and add their upkeep to your Home Maintenance Schedule.
- Purchase a fireproof safe (or rent a safe deposit box) to store important documents that would be difficult to replace.
- Purchase emergency supplies for an Emergency Preparedness Kit, which should include:
 - Flashlights
 - Batteries
 - Emergency Radio
 - Power Bank
 - Bottled Water and Canned Food
 - Candles and Matches
 - First Aid Kit
 - For more ideas, visit Ready.gov
- Introduce yourself to your new neighbors, and if you really want to make a good impression, leave a home-baked treat.
- File your Homestead Exemption paperwork.
- Set up autopay for your mortgage to ensure you never miss a house payment.
- Get ready for moving day!



