

# NEW MOVERS

## We're excited about your move!

Congratulations on your move, and if you're new to Central Indiana, welcome to the area! Moving creates many changes in your life, and there's a lot to remember. That's why FORUM Credit Union created this kit. Our goal is to provide the information you need to make moving easier and less stressful. Inside, you'll find a variety of helpful resources and suggested sources for more information. And don't forget that answers to your questions are as close as your nearby FORUM location.

## Financial Resources

FORUM Credit Union offers products and services for every aspect of your financial life. Some of the ways we can help you include:

### Mortgages

We offer a wide array of mortgage programs, one of which is sure to be ideal for your situation and needs. Fixed-rate loans give you the confidence of a predictable monthly payment and interest rate, while adjustable-rate loans may make it possible for you to buy more home than you expected. The best way to learn about all your options and choose the one that's best for you is to call 317.558.6160 and talk with one of our friendly Mortgage Consultants, or visit our online Mortgage Center at [www.forumcu.com](http://www.forumcu.com). You can also use our online application, which can speed up the loan approval and homebuying process.

### Checking Accounts

We offer several great checking account options. Find out which one is best for you in our Checking Accounts brochure.

### Vehicle Loans

If you're planning to buy a car or truck, look to us for easy, affordable financing. In addition to traditional fixed- and variable-rate vehicle loans with terms up to 72 months for new and used autos, we offer innovative Auto Equity Loans, which finance your purchase with the equity in your home.

### Insurance

Looking for a better homeowner's insurance policy? FORUM Representatives can refer you to insurance professionals that will help you find the right coverage at a very affordable cost.

# NEED TO KNOW

## Some things you need to know about moving.

Moving to a new address involves making a lot of changes. To help you remember the things you'll need to change, we've provided a handy checklist:

**Bank accounts.** Close accounts at your current financial institution and give them your new address. The people at your nearby FORUM location will be happy to help you with this process. (We have a handy Switch Kit that can take you through all the steps.)

**Utility companies.** Contact your current utility companies to let them know when you'll be moving. Then contact the utilities that serve your new home so they can establish service.

**Trash removal.** Call the town or city hall of the community you're moving to, and ask them when trash is picked up in your new neighborhood. They can also provide information about recycling.

**Insurance company.** Let your insurance agent know you're moving, so coverage can be transferred to your new address. You may want to find an agent who is closer to your new home for convenience.

**Deliveries.** If you receive a newspaper or deliveries of services such as milk or diapers, be sure to discontinue them.

**Medical records.** When you find new health providers such as doctors and dentists, be sure to obtain your records from your previous providers.

### Contact The Post Office

You'll need to notify the Postal Service of your move. You can fill out a change of address form in person at any post office, or complete the form online at [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com).

### Your Driver's License

Are you new to Indiana? If you have a valid driver's license from another state, you can visit any Bureau of Motor Vehicles location to obtain an Indiana license. You'll need documents that provide proof of both your residency and your Social Security Number, and you'll have to pass both a written and vision test. Anyone younger than 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. If you don't have a valid license from another state, you may also have to pass a driving test.

Indiana residents must notify the BMV of their new address within 60 days. You can do that in person at any BMV location, or write them at BMV Driver Services, 100 North Senate Ave. N405, Indianapolis, IN 46204 (include your name and new address, driver's license number, Social Security number and previous address, along with a computer-generated document that includes your new address). Your new license will cost \$10.

### Register To Vote

Call the County Clerk's office to learn what you need to do to register to vote (or to move your registration from your previous location).

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### When Moving Day Arrives

The day you move will be very busy, and it's hard to remember everything you'll need. We recommend that you use this list as a reference of things to have on hand:

- Cash to pay the moving company
- Extra money for meals and unexpected expenses
- Contact information for the moving company
- Contact information for the utility companies
- Contact information for your real estate agent and insurance company
- A fully charged cell phone
- Medications and personal hygiene items
- A change of clothes (in case the movers are delayed)
- Towels and bedding (so you won't have to find them when you're tired)
- A local phone book (in case you need to find someone like a plumber)

## Central Indiana is a great place to live.

Welcome to an area where there is so much to do – no matter what you enjoy! From sports to cultural activities, Indianapolis and Central Indiana offer so much. Want some examples?

### Museums

#### **The Children's Museum of Indianapolis**

30th & Meridian Street (Northside Indianapolis)

It's the world's largest children's museum, and kids of all ages enjoy its fun, hands-on exhibits.

#### **Conner Prairie**

Allisonville Road (Fishers, Northeast suburbs)

This living history museum will bring you back to Indiana's pioneer days.

#### **Eiteljorg Museum of American Indian & Western Art**

West Washington Street (Downtown Indianapolis)

One of only two museums featuring this kind of art east of the Mississippi.

#### **Indianapolis Museum of Art**

38th Street & Michigan Road (Northwest Indianapolis)

America's fifth-largest art museum, on 152 acres of beautiful grounds.

#### **Indianapolis Zoo and White River Gardens**

West Washington Street (Downtown Indianapolis)

More than 350 animal species, the state's largest aquarium, and breathtaking gardens.

#### **Indiana State Museum**

West Washington Street (Downtown Indianapolis)

Learn more about Indiana's history and resources.

#### **NCAA Hall of Champions**

White River State Park (Downtown Indianapolis)

A tribute to college athletes and athletic champions.

### Performing Arts

#### **American Cabaret Theatre**

Massachusetts Avenue (Downtown Indianapolis)

A great spot for live musical entertainment.

#### **Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre**

Michigan Road at I-465 (Northwest Indianapolis)

Broadway productions by professional actors, plus dinner.

#### **Indiana Repertory Theatre**

West Washington Street (Downtown Indianapolis)

The best in professional regional theatre.

#### **Indianapolis Civic Theatre**

32nd Street & Cold Spring Road (Northwest Indianapolis)

The state's largest community theatre.

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## **Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra**

Monument Circle (Downtown Indianapolis)

A nationally admired symphony orchestra performing in the historic Hilbert Circle Theatre.

## **Sports Teams & Events**

### **Indiana Fever**

Conseco Fieldhouse (Downtown Indianapolis)

Indiana's popular WNBA team.

### **Indiana Ice**

Pepsi Coliseum (38th Street & Fall Creek Parkway, Northside Indianapolis)

A pro hockey powerhouse competing in the USHL.

### **Indiana Pacers**

Conseco Fieldhouse (Downtown Indianapolis)

NBA action in an arena with great seats and affordable tickets.

### **Indianapolis Colts**

Lucas Oil Stadium (Downtown Indianapolis)

The new home of the Super Bowl XLI Champion team.

### **Indianapolis Indians**

Victory Field (Maryland & West Streets, Downtown Indianapolis)

Pittsburgh's AAA affiliate, playing in America's Best Minor League Ballpark.

### **Indiana Motor Speedway**

16th Street & Georgetown Road (Speedway, Northwest Indianapolis)

Home of the Indianapolis 500 and the Brickyard 400, plus a great museum.

## **Other Great Spots**

### **Canal Walk**

Downtown Indianapolis

Stroll or relax along this beautiful, historic waterway.

### **Circle Center Mall**

Downtown Indianapolis

Shopping, restaurants, movies and more.

### **Eagle Creek Park**

West 56th Street (Northwest Indianapolis)

One of the nation's largest city parks, full of nature and recreation.

### **Monon Rail Trail**

Downtown Indianapolis to North Suburbs

Popular with both bikers and walkers, this trail connects a variety of interesting neighborhoods.

### **White River State Park**

West Washington Street (Downtown Indianapolis)

Indiana's only urban state park, with museums, entertainment and other attractions.

## Looking for some expert advice about moving?

While moving to a new home is exciting, it can also be very stressful. Planning and organization can help you overcome some of that stress. To help you get ready for your move, we've listed some websites and books that we've found to be helpful and informative.

### Helpful Websites

American Moving and Storage Association — [www.moving.org](http://www.moving.org)

Whether you're moving across the country or across town, this resource-rich site offers extensive information and helpful tips.

About.com — [moving.about.com](http://moving.about.com)

About.com is a great online destination for information on any subject, and moving is no exception.

U.S. Postal Service — [moversguide.usps.com](http://moversguide.usps.com)

If you're planning to change your address, the Postal Service can help you do that online – and can provide a detailed guide to make moving easier.

Indianapolis Convention & Visitors Association — [www.indy.org](http://www.indy.org)

Moving to the Circle City? Learn about everything the area has to offer, including cultural and athletic events.

Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce — [www.indychamber.com/relocationInfoIndy.asp](http://www.indychamber.com/relocationInfoIndy.asp)

Here's helpful information for people who are relocating to Indianapolis.

City of Indianapolis — [www.indygov.org/home.htm](http://www.indygov.org/home.htm)

The official site for the city includes extensive resources and information for new residents.

Indiana Department of Motor Vehicles — [www.dmv.org/in-indiana/drivers-license.php](http://www.dmv.org/in-indiana/drivers-license.php)

What you need to know about obtaining an Indiana driver's license.

Indiana Department of Revenue — [www.in.gov/dor/individual/address-change.html](http://www.in.gov/dor/individual/address-change.html)

The site provides the easiest way to let the state know that you've changed your address.

### Books

*The Moving Survival Guide: All You Need to Know to Make Your Move Go Smoothly* by Martha Poage

*How to Survive a Move: By Hundreds of Happy People Who Did, and Some Things to Avoid from a Few Who Haven't Unpacked Yet* by Jamie Allen and Kazz Regelman

*Moving with Kids: 25 Ways to Ease Your Family's Transition to a New Home* by Lori Collins Burgan

*Day Trips from Indianapolis: Getaways About Two Hours Away* by Helen W. O'Guinn

*Berenstain Bears' Moving Day* by Stan and Jan Berenstain (for ages 3 to 7)

*Making New Friends* by Jacqueline Blumenstock, David Pool and Colleen Madden (for ages 4 to 10)

*Annabelle's Big Move* by Carla Golembe (for infants through age 5)