

A COMPLETE GUIDE



The Austin Relocation Guide



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START PLANNING EARLY

Moving to Austin is an exciting adventure, and ***starting your planning early*** will set you up for success in this vibrant city! Getting a head start gives you time to research Austin's neighborhoods and find your perfect fit, whether that's the trendy South Austin scene or hill country living near Lake Travis. Early planning also gives you a competitive edge in Austin's housing market and lets you explore the best job opportunities. You'll have time to budget effectively, secure the best moving services, and even plan visits to experience the city's legendary food trucks, live music, and outdoor spaces like Lady Bird Lake. With Austin's rapid growth and popularity, the earlier you plan, the smoother your transition will be into this dynamic city!

Things to consider:

- Do you need to sell a home to purchase in Austin?
- When do you want to be moved into your new home?
- Will you obtain financing?
- What's your ideal neighborhood?
- Are schools important?



NEIGHBORHOODS

Discovering your ideal Austin neighborhood is an adventure that showcases the city's amazing diversity and distinctive charm! Whether you're attracted to the music-filled streets of South Austin, the scenic living near Lake Travis, or the trendy walkability of Downtown, each area has its own special appeal. **The secret to finding your perfect fit** is working with an experienced local real estate agent who understands each neighborhood's character, market dynamics, and local favorites. A skilled agent doesn't just show properties – they guide you through school zones, daily commutes, and community vibes that make each Austin area unique. Together, you'll find not just a home, but **the neighborhood where your Austin adventure truly begins.**

Things to consider:

- Do you like a quiet suburb or being closer to the action?
- Do you prefer walking or driving?
- Do you like established neighborhoods or newer developments?
- Does your commute time matter?
- What are the property taxes in each location?
- How long will you be living in this home?



THE MOVE

The more you plan the logistics of your move in advance, the more seamless the experience! Here is a sample timeline of things to consider and when to tackle them.

12+ Weeks Before

- Interview moving companies & obtain quotes
- Reserve a storage unit or moving truck if needed
- Continue visiting neighborhoods
- Put your current home on the market, if applicable

6 Weeks Before

- Schedule movers
- Make travel arrangements
- Notify schools of your move
- Keep track of moving expenses for possible tax deductions
- Update your various insurance providers



THE MOVE

4 Weeks Before

- Sell, declutter, donate
- Update memberships (gyms, local clubs, etc.)
- Begin packing
- Secure a new home
- Forward mail to a P.O. box

2 Weeks Before

- Transfer Utilities
- Change mailing address (banks, credit cards, etc)
- Order any large furniture & appliances
- Secure parking for the moving truck or POD
- Coordinate time off from work

1 Week Before

- Coordinate logistics of your move-in/out date
- Ensure all funds are in place for deposits, closing costs, etc.
- Confirm movers or rental truck



THE MOVE

1 Day Before

- Pack short-term suitcase & essentials
- Do a final sweep and clean

Moving Day

- Hand over keys
- Pick up keys to your new home!
- **Start your journey!**

Post Move

- Possible second cleaning of new house
- Change locks
- Register devices and appliances, if applicable
- Update driver's license and registration
- Pick up new mailbox keys at local post office

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If you're ready to embark on this journey together, or you would just like additional information about the Austin market, ***reach out to us!***

In the meantime, begin browsing an **exclusive list** of available homes through our website, **VonAustin.com**.



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