

When considering a move later in life, it is important to assess that individual's life style and needs at the time of the move or potential future needs.

Here are some questions to consider when developing a plan for the best living option:

- ✿ What are the reasons for the move: Medical, financial, maintenance-free lifestyle, move closer to family?
- ✿ When will you move? What is the time frame: this year, next year, five years, ten years?
- ✿ Where does the person/couple want to move to? If considering a community setting, which would be the best option, what activities and services am I interested in?
- ✿ What size space could I live in comfortably?
- ✿ What is the budget?
- ✿ Would the services of a Senior Real Estate specialist be considered?
- ✿ What will happen to items that will not be taken in the move
- ✿ Who will be available to help with the move: the individuals themselves, family, friends, or will they need the services of a move-manager?

Some suggestions in the planning process:

- Don't leave your life to chance - MAKE A PLAN! This will allow that individual to control the outcome.
- Allow plenty of time to explore different options.
- Take a tour of communities, apartment complexes and organizations that interest you. Encourage that individual to bring family members or trusted friends to provide an extra "pair of eyes and ears".