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REAL ESTATE



You've spent years at your current company and are extremely dedicated to its mission, then suddenly you're asked to relocate or even given an opportunity at another company in another region: what now? There are so many factors that take place when presented with a situation like this, so it is important to really understand them all to ensure future happiness and success.

HERE ARE 7 THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN POTENTIALLY RELOCATING.

- 1. Consider where you are in your career: If you're a new graduate or in your early to mid 20s with not much responsibility, this may be the perfect time to make such a change. When you only have yourself to be responsible for, expanding your horizons is much easier. On the contrary, if you're married with children, there is more to consider than just yourself. Is your spouse in love with her company and role? Are your kids going through a transitional time in school and are now making friends? It's important to talk to your spouse about such instances in order to get a clear picture.
- 2. Consider if the cost is worth it: The cost of a move is not a small one. The expense of hiring movers, getting flights, and any other expenses can easily add up to a large number. Make sure that these costs are able to be taken care of without breaking the bank. In addition, consider the new cost of living and if you're able to keep up with the prices.
- **3. Consider the company:** Is this company a dream company of yours? The hassle of moving may seem a lot more worth it if this company or role is one you have been invested in for some time. If you've been waiting for the moment to shine in this dream role of yours, it might be a good idea to take the risk and follow your heart.
- **4. Consider the lifestyle:** Although a lot can be understood through photos and descriptions, the feeling you get from being in the actual environment is the tell tale sign of future happiness. You may think you like the area, but when visiting have a completely new idea about it. Make sure to visit and take in the new lifestyle changes that are associated. Getting an understanding of the people, weather, and safety is crucial.
- 5. Consider what you're leaving behind: Your career is a large part of your life, no doubt, but your friends and community make up an even greater aspect. If you can't imagine leaving certain people behind, it might be worth considering before making a final decision. Connection and relationships are one of the most significant parts of life.
- **6. Consider if you do well with change:** Change is undoubtedly not easy for most, but some take it harder than others. Does the process of changing your life sound like it has more cons than pros or does it sound like an exciting next step? Understanding how you feel about the process at large is vital to a smooth and successful transition.
- 7. Consider the future: If there seems to be a lot of room for growth and potential at your new company, the struggles that come with moving may actually pay off in the long run. If you feel like there is more opportunity at the new company with the work you will be given as well as future work, then it might be worth expanding your horizons.