## **PROPER LIFTING**

Use these steps when preparing to move boxes or something heavy



#### **Plan Your Move**

Size up the load, get help if it is awkward or too heavy.

Make sure your path is clear before you begin.



## **Get Ready**

Have your feet shoulderwidth apart and the load between them.



## **Use Your Legs**

Use your leg and thigh muscles, not your back, to bend and get a firm grip on the load.



#### **Arms In**

Keep your arms and elbows close to your side.



# **Keep the Back Straight**

Bend your knees and hips, keeping your back straight to lift the load.

