



What happens to your stuff when you can't care for them?

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It's something no one wants to think about, but everyone eventually encounters: What will happen to your belongings when you can no longer care for them yourself?

Caring Transitions may help.

Specializing in senior moving, downsizing and estate sales, the Cincinnati, Ohio-based business's Web site heralds itself as the "leader and total solution for peace of mind and minimizing stress" during life changes. Scott White, who opened the metro Charlotte franchise in December, sees Caring Transitions as standing apart from other businesses catering to seniors because it offers "A-to-Z services."

"When we finish working with our clients, we want them to feel like we have approached them in a compassionate fashion," he said. The company's services start with a free consultation at home, during which White walks through the house.

"I work with clients on what they want to keep and take with them ... and the number of items they want thrown out, donated, recycled or given to friends and family members," he said. White then writes a proposal based on what he sees and what potential clients tell him during the initial visit.

The proposal includes fees and White's plan to move or liquidate items. "The clients then decide if they want to move forward," White said. If so, clients sign a contract, and White and his employees begin sorting items and planning an estate sale, if that's part of the family's plan. Although the business's main clientele are people 60 and older, Caring Transitions also works with the adult children of seniors and, occasionally, with others who seek help with the services the company offers.

Caring Transitions – Charlotte Metro is located at 2229 Chesterfield Ave. Along with north and east Charlotte, White's business serves the Lake Norman area, Concord and surrounding communities. Each Caring Transitions franchise is independently owned and operated.