

# 10 Things You Can Organize While Staying at Home

Tips brought to you by Organizer Jamie Novak Author of *Keep This Toss That: The Practical Guide to Tidying Up*

## **1. FLAT SURFACE**

Clear piles of paperwork and other clutter from tabletops and counters. It can be stressful to look at piles of stuff, plus it'll be easier to disinfect.

## **3. PANTRY**

Group and store similar items together, by aisles of the grocery store. This makes it easier to find what you're looking for and to write out an orderly shopping list.

## **5. SPRING DÉCOR**

Bring out cheerful seasonal décor pieces. Box up anything you don't love to give away. Label the box and store it with winter décor as a reminder to donate it.

## **7. HALL CLOSET**

Time to tackle the closets! Look for outgrown shoes and jackets, just don't forget to check the pockets before donating them. Toss broken umbrellas too.

## **9. BEDROOM**

Make your bedroom a relaxing retreat. Clear non-essentials off the bedside table. Add a self-care item that comforts you, like a fluffy pillow or cozy throw.

## **2. JUNK DRAWER**

Take time to check the pens for ink and toss the broken rubber bands. Make an activity out of sharpening all the pencils without points. Use up the condiment packets.

## **4. CLOTHING**

Put on a fashion show with upbeat music. Try on clothes to identify the keepers. Bag up "tosses" to donate then take on the task of mending anything that needs repair.

## **6. PHOTOGRAPHS**

Relive moments by sorting the shoebox of photographs. Take photos of special images to share digitally with family while staying socially distant. Then organize the keepers.

## **8. GAMES & PUZZLES**

While playing games and assembling puzzles toss ones that are missing pieces. Bag up to donate ones that are no longer played with. Then sort and store the others by age range.

## **10. TO-DO LIST**

Revamp your daily to-do list that includes an organizing task, a self-care moment, an activity, a daily goal, and a check-in with someone as a way of staying connected.

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