Collins Family Movers Backs Chicago DIY Movers With Labor-Only Crews for Rental Trucks and PODS Containers

Chicago's family owned movers offer labor only crew for rental trucks PODS, and storage units, giving DIY movers trained help without hiring a full service move



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CHICAGO, IL, UNITED STATES, September 9, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- A growing share of Chicago residents are handling their own moves with a rented truck or a portable container parked at the curb, and then discovering that the hardest part is not the driving. It is the third-floor walk-up, the freight elevator window, and the sectional sofa that will not clear the doorway. Collins Family Movers, a family-owned moving company in Chicago, is putting its trained crews behind those moves through its labor-only moving service.

Labor-only work covers the muscle without the truck. Customers who have already reserved a rental truck, a PODS container, or a storage unit can book a Collins Family Movers crew to handle the loading, the unloading, the carry, and the furniture placement inside the home. Bookings scale to the job, from two movers for two hours to a full crew for a full day.

The service answers a practical gap in the Chicago market. Container and rental truck companies deliver equipment, not labor, and the informal help many residents turn to instead is unvetted, uninsured, and unaccountable if something breaks. Collins Family Movers staffs every job with full-time W-2 employees who are background checked and trained, with no day labor and no subcontractors on any crew.

"People who rent a truck or order a container have usually already done the hard planning," said Richard Supran, President and Owner of Collins Family Movers. "What they need is a crew that knows how to get a heavy dresser down a narrow Chicago stairwell without damaging the wall or

the dresser. That is the work we do every day, and there is no reason it should only be available as part of a full-service move."

Loading a container well is its own skill. Weight distribution, tiering, and blanket wrapping determine whether furniture arrives intact after a container sits in transit for days or weeks. Crews trained on full-service relocations bring that same method to a labor-only booking, including disassembly and reassembly of bed frames and tables where needed.

The service is available across the city and the surrounding suburbs, including Lincoln Park, Logan Square, Lakeview, Wicker Park, the West Loop, Hyde Park, and Beverly, along with Evanston, Skokie, Oak Park, and Park Ridge. Building requirements are handled the same way they are on a full move. Collins Family Movers carries more than $1 million in general liability and cargo coverage and issues a Certificate of Insurance on request, which most high-rise and condo property managers require before allowing a move-in.

Scheduling runs seven days a week from 6 AM to 9 PM, which matters for residents working inside a building's assigned elevator window or a container pickup date they cannot change.

As one of the most reviewed local movers in Chicago, the company holds a 4.9 star Google rating across more than 900 reviews and more than 2,200 verified reviews across Google, Yelp, and Facebook. It is a BBB accredited business with an A+ rating, licensed by the Illinois Commerce Commission under ILLCC MC# 215646, and federally authorized under USDOT# 2789784.

Quotes for labor-only bookings are provided upfront with no hidden fees, consistent with the flat-rate policy the company applies to its other services.

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