

Thrifty Traveling Tips

The cost of living is quickly on the rise. By traveling, you may be making more than the average nurse and that helps. What else can you do? There are so many different ways to save money on the road.

As a traveler, saving on gas can make a difference in your spending. Obviously, driving a fuel efficient car is a plus. However, an additional option would be to request an assignment that has safe housing nearby (within walking distance preferably) from the hospital. By living near the hospital you will be saving on gas and wear and tear on your car, contributing to the ozone layer, and getting more exercise. This one change could accomplish a lot.

Many apartment complexes have built in workout facilities. You may want to inquire about this to save on the cost of a temporary gym membership.

Try going to garage sales and inexpensive places like Target or K-mart to get household supplies that you need to get settled into your new place. You don't need to have quality things, since you will only be there temporarily. Having fewer attachments to the need to nice things can give you a sense of freedom in addition to the freedom of traveling.

Finally, if you are a big shopper, you may want to consider taking on a new hobby such as hiking or sight seeing. Traveling makes you want to get out and see and do things you may never have the chance to see or do again.

Every little savings adds up and before you know it, you are sending a lot less than you used to. For example, if you save \$10 on gas a week, \$50 on your initial move in by going to garage sales, and \$30 dollars on a gym membership, you will have saved at least \$120 your first month.