

Hints For The Home

Music To Get Organized By

(NAPSA)—For many people, listening to music is an important part of household chores. Not only do favorite tunes help lift the spirits and lighten the load, but moving and grooving while you dust, mop and organize can help burn a few extra calories.

Start with what you normally listen to, though up-tempo numbers generally work better. And if you're in need of some creative storage solutions, ClosetMaid® offers a variety of DIY products that can help make it easier to get organized and stay that way.

Still not sure what to put on the stereo or MP3 player? Here are a few choice tracks to help rock the house while you tidy up:

- Psych yourself up for the task with Sheryl Crow's "A Change Would Do You Good" and the Black Eyed Peas' "Let's Get It Started." After all, if you look at home organization as something positive you're doing for yourself—rather than just a chore that needs doing—you're that much closer to accomplishing your goal.

- The aptly titled "Come Together" by The Beatles can be an excellent motivator for getting some of your trouble spots—bedroom closet, garage, junk drawer—in order.

- To help keep you in that groove, the melodic "Give a Little Bit" by the Goo Goo Dolls, coupled with "Throw It All Away" from Brandi Carlile, are top-notch reminders that we all have to let stuff go. If you haven't worn it for a year (with the possible exception of those high-end "collector"



Getting your house in order can seem less like a chore and more of a high-energy workout when you crank the tunes.

items), get rid of it. And if you have to ask yourself why you were saving something in the first place, it should no longer be taking up space in your house.

- John Mayer's "Clarity" is recommended as you near the end of your task, and can tick off the few specific tasks you have left. With the finish line in sight, those last few items to assemble, organize or put away seem less like drudgery and more like milestones.

- When you have a place for everything and everything's in its place, it's time to kick it with "Feel Good Inc." by Gorillaz. Or perhaps you want to "Express Yourself" (Madonna) with some "New Shoes" (Paolo Nutini). After all, you've got space for them now, courtesy of shelf organizers perhaps?

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