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**1** Develop a plan on what to do if you are involved in an emergency. This doesn't need to be overthought, keep it simple by starting with these questions:

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- How will family share their status with each other? This might be calling an out of town relative or some sort of social media. Don't plan on just calling your family directly.
- Do you have a pre-established meeting location that isn't your home? This could be a friends house, work, church, or other place. If you can't go home, where does the family go?
- If you have to leave your house, what is the best route to your meeting place? It might be different than everyday based on your local hazards (i.e. you normally cross a bridge that may get damaged).
- Do you know what you need to take with you in an evacuation? Think along the lines of official documents, money, medicine, pet supplies and other seemingly everyday items.

**2** Do you have the emergency supplies your family needs to sustain you until you can be re-supplied? In a large disaster you should plan on being self sufficient for an extended period of at least 72 hours, but in reality should plan for longer. Think food and water, but also think about medical needs, pet needs, or any other items you need to survive on your own. This discussion applies to both staying in your house and if you have to leave (can you easily take it with you).

**3** Now go over all this as a family and consider writing it down and walking through it together. The process of writing it down and then physically going through what you would do helps everyone remember it. If a bad day happens to affect your family, stress will be high and everyone stands a better chance of remembering the plan if they have practiced it.

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